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The objects of this Bureau are: to augment opportunities for Catholic education for the blind; to help build up a library of Catholic Braille Books for the blind; and to awaken in our Alumnae an active interest in the Catholic Blind.

The three divisions of this Bureau, conforming to the three departments of the I. F. C. A. are:

(a) Education of Catholic Blind: Miss Clara L. Joyce, Chairman, 2104 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

(b) Braille Transcription: Chairmen,

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(c) Location of Catholic Blind: Miss Mary C. Toy, Chairman, 48 Glenville Avenue, Allston, Mass.

(a) EDUCATION OF CATHOLIC BLIND

Under this section it is suggested:

1. That all persons interested in the blind read Sir Arthur Pearson's "Victory Over Blindness." That teachers of the blind be urged to study modern methods of teaching the blind, the touch system on the typewriter, basketry, weaving, etc.; also, to study the principal diseases of the eye, causes and symptoms, general care, etc., for the intelligent recommendation of cases for medical supervision.

2. That Principals of schools secure volunteer service of eye specialists or arrange to send **backward** children to a public clinic to ascertain whether or not the **cause** is defective vision; to form sight conservation classes, not to exceed twenty pupils, wherever possible for the safeguarding of sight endangered by regular class work, ordinary print text books, etc.

3. The blind profit greatly by high school and college education, and are thereby enabled to enter the professions or hold excellent positions in business. Ascertain what advantages for such education are offered by Catholic schools. Inquire as to scholarships or other possibilities for the blind to continue their studies under Catholic auspices. Many blind attend schools for the sighted and frequently win the honors.

(b) BRAILLE TRANSCRIPTION

Under this section it is recommended that Governors and State or Province Chairman of this Bureau:

1. Stimulate interest in Braille transcription by arousing our Alumnae to a realization of the tremendous need of Catholic literature for Catholic blind.

Establish Centers where instruction in Braille may be given by qualified Instructors.

Interest volunteers who will devote part of their leisure to Braille transcription and thus help build up the library for the blind of books by Catholic authors.

2. Chairman may assure those who volunteer to learn Braille that it is not

difficult. Six lessons covering the technical points are necessary after which the student is required to emboss a test paper. If this is satisfactory the embosser may then begin her fifty pages of **acceptable** Braille, preferably a complete short story. Upon the acceptance of this work a certificate is awarded. The certificates of the I. F. C. A. are awarded upon the fulfillment of the same requirements demanded by the Red Cross and the Library of Congress.

3. We cannot emphasize this fact too strongly that **none** but Catholics will transcribe Catholic literature and it is only reasonable to hope that our Catholic Alumnae will be leaders in this Apostolic work. It is surely a blessed work that brings a soul nearer to God and that is what we are trying to do when we give Catholic literature to the blind. Governors are therefore urged to inspire their Chapters with a holy zeal to carry on this noble work of Braille transcription.

4. Many Alumnae are vitally interested in the writings of Catholic authors who may be members of their association or friends of Alma Mater. Why not arrange for the plating of an edition of such a work and finance it by an entertainment? Send a copy of the book to the Reverend Joseph M. Stadelman, S.J., 136 West 97th Street, and ask for an estimate on reproducing an edition of 25, 50 or 100 copies. The title page will bear an embossed dedication that the Catholic blind may know their good friends among the Catholic Alumnae.

Remember this: the Library of Congress and the Red Cross have magnificent appropriations both for hand embossed books and for plating whole editions, but neither organization will make a Catholic book.

5. The customary Convention Banners will be awarded to (a) the individual transcriber, (b) the Alumnae Association, (c) the Braille Center, and (d) the State Chapter, for distinguished service.

(c) LOCATION OF CATHOLIC BLIND

The following resolution was offered by Miss Pauline E. Boisliniere at the St. Louis Convention in 1919.

WHEREAS: A large percentage of the 75,000 Blind in the United States and Canada are Catholic, and their number is augmented by the Catholic soldiers blinded in the war.

WHEREAS: The Xavier Free Publication Society for the Blind, 136 West 97th Street, New York, will lend books to the Blind and will place them in libraries for general and free circulation among the Blind, be it

RESOLVED: That the Literature Department appoint a committee to locate such Blind, through the existing association for the Blind, and bring to them the offer of the Xavier Free Publication Society for the Blind.

1. Endeavor to carry out this resolution in co-operation with the Chairman of Section C who suggests that the duties of State and Province Chairmen should include the following:

(a) Locating Catholic Blind in community institutions, etc. (b) Ascertaining of occupations in homes, institutions, schools, etc. (c) Arranging opportunities for attending Mass and the Sacraments. (d) Providing religious instruction for blind children attending non-Catholic schools. (e) Calling attention to the benefits to be derived from Xavier Free Publication Society for the blind. (f) Working out the suggestions the blind themselves may give us as to bettering conditions for them, etc.

Other suggestions for our Alumnae:

2. See to the spiritual welfare of the blind; provide them with suitable reading matter; take them to Church, to the sodality meetings.

3. Supplement secular training received by the children with the best Catholic training obtainable. Teach the children their religion, prepare them for their First Holy Communion; if possible, obtain the privilege of having the children receive First Holy Communion in a convent chapel. The spiritual atmosphere of so holy a place will deeply impress these little ones. Entertain the children at least once a year. Endeavor to have sighted children play with the blind at these entertainments. Let the children realize that the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae is interested in their welfare and ask them to always keep in touch with the Bureau.

4. Help **blind** mothers with their children's sewing. Make First holy Communion outfits for blind children; supply the adult blind with Braille prayer-

books and Catechisms. Arrange an occasional outing in fine weather for the "shut-in" blind. Read to the old or invalid blind.

5. Take active part in all local matters concerning the blind; be alert to all legislation concerning the blind, especially in regard to education. Study the local situation. Present to the Alumnae the local immediate need and interest will surely be aroused. Catholics are sorely needed in this field.

6. Please report as soon as possible any information obtainable on what is now being done in regard to the spiritual welfare of the Catholic Blind in any locality, either by individuals or by organizations. Send this report to Miss Mary C. Toy, Chairman of Location of Catholic Blind, 48 Glenville Avenue, Allston, Mass.

BUREAU OF ART

Chairman—Miss Mary Varnell Zeh, 4750 Winthrop Avenue, Chicago, Ill.
Mount de Sales Alumnae, Catonsville, Md.

The purposes of the Art Bureau are:

A. To spread and encourage Catholic Art throughout our nation.

1. By means of school clubs.
2. Community clubs. Include in either club Catholic and Civic affiliations.
3. Through the following means create an interest in beautifying the appearance of your town and school.
 - (a) Consult a landscape architect.
 - (b) Have public meetings with discussions and get publicity on Catholic Art through the newspapers.
 - (c) Interest school children in writing essays on "Catholic Art" and "Beautifying of Our Town," and making posters. Offer prizes.
 - (d) Make the school grounds attractive with trees, grass, shrubs, the American flag, and bird houses.
4. Have exhibits of work done by your local artists, include painters, sculptors, arts crafters, and designers; especially, Catholic artists. Offer prizes.
5. Commemorate the work done by your local artists by purchasing their works of art, and placing them in public buildings, and in Catholic schools and private homes.
6. See that your community has war memorials designed and executed by our best American sculptors.
7. In your clubs or schools, produce Catholic Art Pageants, or an Art Play.
8. See that your public library has a fine collection of Catholic Art Books.
9. Study the Art Training in your schools.
 - (a) Encourage all the talented students to take advanced training in Art.
 - (b) See that art questions are included in college entrance requirements and for all examinations.
10. Send a list of notable public buildings, Catholic statuary, murals, and stained glass, to your Chairman to be recorded in our Bulletin.
11. Write your local Congressman and United States Senators at once, urging the appropriation of a building for the National Gallery of Arts now housed in the Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D. C.
12. Encourage the starting of Art Classes for the Study of the History of Catholic Art in every school.
 - (a) If you have a gallery in your city, have at least one gallery tour a year—if possible buy a picture and offer a prize.
 - (b) Have industrial art exhibits in your schools and community clubs of art handicraft work done by school children, or people of the community. Offer prizes.
13. The Art Crafts include: The historical development of Bookmaking, Tapestries, Oriental Rugs, Furniture, Metal Work, Laces, Basketry, Pottery, Porcelain, Stained Glass, Textiles and Fabrics.

B. Creative work for Art Program:

1. Secure a teacher of painting.
2. Have series of study class lessons.

Send the Art Chairman the names of Catholic Sculptors, Mural Painters, Stained Glass Painters, etc. Do not fail to do this; also send names of books that tell of Catholic Art.

BUREAU OF MUSIC

Chairman—Miss Rose Henley, 508 A. C., Levi Building, Louisville, Ky.
Our Lady of Mercy Alumnae, Louisville, Ky.

As in art, so in music, the Catholic Heritage is such that it is but fitting that the Department of Education should desire through this Bureau to extend an active interest in music, to uphold only the highest standards, to extend opportunity for its wider study, to arouse greater interest in musical appreciation; to be informed of the advantages offered by Catholic Schools and Conservations of Music, and to learn of "The Catholic Heritage."

This Bureau of Music is conducted by Miss Rose Henley, 508 A. C., Levi Building, Louisville, Ky., to whom the State and Province chairman, appointed by the Governors, send all reports. The State and Province chairman of Music, upon whom the development of this Bureau depends, must realize that each locality will determine the best manner to develop the activities it chooses as most practical and beneficial for its particular need.

Suggestions for promoting the work of the Bureau of Music:

1. In forming Alumnae committess invite a religious to serve on Committee. A religious is always glad to aid.
 2. Become acquainted with the present day best methods of teaching music.
 3. Aim to be well versed in the part Mother Church has taken and continues to take in the development of music.
 4. Form music clubs of Alumnae, whose province shall be to give music recitals, invite pupils of the schools to appear on programs, encourage a children's chorus under trained direction, arouse enthusiasm by having various contests for best musicians, adults and children, and keep in touch with all Civic movements for better music.
 5. Arrange music memory contests for these music clubs. During the year the contest selections may be played and explained to members at their meetings. A series of illustrated talks on musical appreciation would prove interesting and beneficial. Something studied about contest selections and composers would be of educational value. The final test to be given at the last meeting of the year, when all selections may be given by local artists and prizes awarded. Following is a list of selections that may be memorized:
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| <p>Amaryllis.....Old French Rondo
Anitra's Dance, Peer Gynt.....Grieg
Anvil Chorus, Trovatore.....Verdi
At the Brook.....Boisdeffre
Ave MariaBach-Gounod
Barcarolle, "Tales of Hoffman"
.....Offenbach
Berceuse, "Jocelyn"Godard
Blue Danube Waltz.....Strauss
Bridal Chorus, "Lohengren"..Wagner
Caprice ViennoixKreisler
ElegieMassenet
Erl KingSchubert
Evening Star, "Tannhauser"..Wagner
Hallelujah Chorus "Messiah"..Handel
Hark, Hark the Lark.....Schubert
HumoresqueDvorak
Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 2.....Liszt
In the Hall of the Mountain
King, Peer GyntGrieg
LargoHandel
Largo, "New Work Symphony"
.....Dvorak
LiebestraunLiszt
Lift Thine Eyes, "Elijah" Mendelssohn
Marche MilitaireSchubert
March SlavTschaikowsky
Melody in F.....Rubenstein
MinuetMozart
Minuet in G.....Beethoven</p> | <p>Miserere "Il Trovatore"Verdi
Moment MusicalSchubert
NarcissusNevin
Nocturne in E Flat.....Chopin
O Sole Mio.....di Capua
Overture, William Tell, "At
Dawn"Rossini
Overture, William Tell, "The
Storm"Rossini
Pilgrim's Chorus, "Tannhauser"
.....Wagner
Prelude in C Sharp Minor
.....Rachmaninoff
Quartette, "Rigoletto"Verdi
Sault d' AmourElgar
SerenadeMoskowski
Sextette "Lucia di Lammermoor"
.....Donisetti
Soldiers Chorus, "Faust.....Gounod
SouvenirDrdla
Spring SongMendelssohn
The SwanSaint Saens
To a Wild Rose.....MacDowell
Toreador Song, "Carmen".....Bizet
TraumereiSchumann
Triumphal March, "Aida".....Verdi
Wedding March, "Midsummer
Night's Dream"Mendelssohn
SerenadeSchubert</p> |
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6. Encourage the learning of all liturgical hymns used in congregational singing; plain chant; learn organ accompaniment. Assist the choir, especially in rural parishes.

7. Secure all detailed information of scholarships offered by Schools of Music, clubs, individuals and organizations, also report success of pupils in Catholic schools in winning scholarships.

8. Have a program at all Alumnae meetings if possible and if not possible, have an opening chorus. This will encourage the members to continue the study of good music.

9. Learn National as well as State and Province songs. Send words of State or Province songs to Bureau of Music chairman.

At the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae Convention held in Boston, October, 1920, a motion was passed to adopt as the Federation hymn one entitled, "Hymn to the Blessed Virgin," by His Eminence, William Cardinal O'Connell. The Bureau urges that all Alumnae members learn the hymn so as to sing it creditably at all general meetings. The hymn is printed on page 26, "The Holy Cross Hymnal," and may be obtained at O. Ditson Co., 178 Tremont Street, Boston. Paper bound, treble only, price 18 cents; cloth bound with accompaniment, \$1.00.

HYMN TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

By William Cardinal O'Connell

Oh, Mary, we hail Thee, Thou Virgin most mild,
Fair spouse of Jehovah whose Son is thy Child.
The angels of heaven thy glory proclaim
And all generations of earth bless thy name.

We wander adrift on life's turbulent sea,
In storm and in tempest we call upon thee.
Bright star in the heavens, thy radiant light
Illumines our pathway and banishes night.

Oh, Mother of God, in thy Son's holy love
Protect us and guide us to His throne above.
When life's weary journey is over and past,
Oh, lead us to Jesus in heaven at last.

The Bureau of Music hopes to establish in every locality where the Federation has Alumnae associations music clubs that will reflect credit upon the splendid training received under the supervision of our various religious orders.

Governors, Chapter chairman and Alumnae chairman, upon your individual efforts depends the development of this Bureau. You are urged to realize this important duty as a member of the I. F. C. A.

BUREAU FOR PLACEMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS WOMEN

Chairman—Mrs. Joseph W. Brooks, De Soto Apartment, Baltimore, Md.
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The specific aims of the Bureau for the placement of professional and business women are to awaken, from a comparatively recent viewpoint, a broader interest in Catholic education by exemplifying various positions held today in the world by the professional and business women educated in Catholic schools; to keep in touch with them and to endeavor to assist in securing positions for those seeking them by having classified lists prepared in each Alumnae Association to furnish applicants and employers all desired information regarding positions and qualification of the applicants.

This Bureau presents possibilities for extensive and constructive service. Its development depends entirely upon the prompt and active co-operation of each Alumnae Association under the able direction of the State or Province chairman, and Governors. When completely organized this Bureau will show, by its classified lists, the excellent work being done by our professional and business women and will answer very clearly the oft repeated question "Of what value is a Catholic Education to women who must take an active part in the world work today?"

The Bureau is conducted by the International Chairman, Mrs. Joseph W. Brooks, De Soto Apartment, Baltimore, Md., who in turn has a chairman in

each State and Province appointed by the Governors to carry on the work as outlined by her. The State or Province chairman appoints as her committee, members of alumnae associations in each State or Province. This Bureau will work with the Department of Education, Teacher's Registration Section, of the National Council of Catholic Welfare, 1312 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington, D. C.

The International Chairman, Mrs. Joseph W. Brooks in June, 1921, issue of Quarterly Bulletin says, "Nothing can better manifest the spirit of helpfulness of the Federation than this practical step towards getting accurate information concerning the professional and business activities of our Catholic women. The results of these efforts when completed will be most illuminating." She suggests that a card index system be prepared by each Alumnae Association as follows: Use white filing cards, size three by five inches, showing name, address, schools attended—whether graduate or not—and whether occupying a professional or business position. These lists to be corrected annually in order to be of the greatest value. Make three sets of cards, one to be retained by Alumnae Association, one to be forwarded to State or Province chairman and one to the International Chairman.

Duties of State and Province Chairman:

(1) To obtain from each association in State or Province a card index system for the purpose of filing in her office this information as suggested by Chairman of Bureau.

(2) To assist Chairman of Bureau in securing positions for those seeking them by forwarding to her all applications, accompanied by credentials, in order that all inquiries regarding qualifications of applicant may be furnished business firms desiring a professional woman to fill vacancies.

(3) To secure information about Catholic Schools that offer special courses in training in order that those desiring such training may be advised of such opportunities.

(4) To endeavor to establish a means of communication between members of all Alumnae Associations by sending to the Chairman of the Bureau the name of one member in each locality to whom a member changing her residence or position could go for guidance and to receive personal interest.

(5) To arrange for a meeting to be held once a year preferably on Sunday of all professional and business women in a locality to discuss matters of special import to them and to hear reports of what is accomplished not only in their own State or Province but elsewhere.

The Bureau is anxious to serve, is desirous of creating mutual interest and realizes that the success of the whole depends upon the active and prompt cooperation of each Alumnae Association, each State or Province and each Governor.

BUREAU OF PARLIAMENTARY LAW

Chairman—Mrs. S. F. Wilhelmi, 210 N. Center St., Joliet, Ill.
Loretto Alumnae, Joliet, Ill.

Realizing the benefits accruing from a knowledge of Parliamentary law, this Bureau has been established to promote the study of Parliamentary procedure in Alumnae associations and in schools.

The exigencies of the day demand that the Catholic woman take an active interest in all civic questions. To safeguard the standards she upholds, to help steadfastly maintain the principles upon which her government is founded, she should be able to present her convictions in the best possible manner. A knowledge of Parliamentary Law is one of the most potent factors to attain this end. Possessing a correct idea of the fundamental principles underlying many civic questions, and with knowledge of Parliamentary procedure, the Catholic woman may wield a great influence for good in the community in which she lives. In all meetings, time would be saved, a greater efficiency obtained, and more courtesy extended, were Parliamentary procedure followed.

This Bureau is conducted by Mrs. S. F. Wilhelmi, 210 N. Center St., Joliet, Ill., as chairman, who requests that "Every state chairman of Education appoint a State or Province chairman, whose duty it will be to appeal to the seniors and the Alumnae associations under her charge to take up the study of Parliamentary Law and to report to the Chairman of the Bureau all progress made. The State chairman of Parliamentary Law shall secure a chairman in each Alumnae association who will be responsible to her for the work in her association."

The following suggestions are offered to the State and Province chairman for chairman of Alumnae associations:

1. Urge Alumnae associations to organize Parliamentary Law classes. There is always more or less difficulty in launching a new movement, especially when the Alumnae members are scattered throughout the states, but the problem of forming classes for these members is solved by the opportunity that the Circles afford.

2. Use Roberts' Rules of Order Revised.

3. Endeavor to have all meetings of Alumnae associations conducted according to Roberts' Rules of Order, and encourage discussion by introducing interesting subjects familiar to all.

4. Encourage the study of Parliamentary Law by senior classes in all schools and suggest that all class meetings be conducted according to Roberts' Rules of Order.

5. Report to Chairman of Bureau the names of Alumnae associations who have appointed chairman and have organized classes; also the names of schools in which the seniors are studying Parliamentary Law.

Any additional information concerning the duties of the State or Province chairman, or the Alumnae Association chairmen, will be cheerfully furnished by Mrs. S. F. Wilhelmi, the Chairman of the Bureau.

BUREAU OF CIVICS

Chairman—Miss Mary Unnewehr, 3402 Cornell Place, Clifton, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Our Lady of Mercy Alumnae, Cincinnati, Ohio,

The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae realized the need of Catholic women taking an active part in the civic problems of the day and adopted the following resolutions at the Boston Convention, October 12, 1920:

WHEREAS: The right of suffrage having been extended to the women of the United States of America, and

WHEREAS: We regard it as a sacred obligation to obey the letter as well as the spirit of the Constitution of our Country, and

WHEREAS: The uneducated masses will dominate unless the cultured men and women of the land are willing to be Lantern Bearers in every sense of the word, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the members of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae earnestly prepare themselves in every way to vote intelligently on municipal, state and national issues and that they exercise the right of franchise.

Many of us, guarded by home and environment, have known but little about the municipal, state or national issues. We have not realized the need of better conditions for the less fortunate. With the right of suffrage has come the duty and the privilege improving these conditions. Though all laws may not directly affect all individuals, they indirectly do affect all, and directly affect some. Therefore, an intelligent knowledge of these laws should be had, and our influence directed to the enactment or enforcement of the best, not only the best for one class, but the best for all, for truly, "We are our brother's keeper."

The purposes of this Bureau are:

1. To encourage the study of civics in Alumnae associations and schools by suggesting that classes be formed, lectures arranged and talks on civics by men and women lawyers be given regarding the rights and privileges of citizenship. In localities where Alumnae classes cannot be formed members are advised to take part in classes and lectures in civics given by their local civic organization.

2. To encourage members of Alumnae associations to prepare themselves to vote and vote intelligently, not only on municipal issues, but on state and national ones as well.

3. To consider the necessity of training children in the principles of democratic government, and in the rights, duties and privileges of citizenship.

4. To assist in educating our immigrant women in the workings of our government and inspiring them with the desire to become citizens.

5. To endeavor to make every Alumnae realize that it is not only a sacred

obligation, but a duty to live up to the privilege of citizenship and to take an active interest in all public affairs.

6. To prevail upon Alumnae Associations to encourage and to aid religious to exercise their rights and duties of citizenship.

7. To announce to all classes that the National Catholic Welfare Council, 1312 Massachusetts Ave., Washington, D. C., publishes a "Civics Catechism" and "The Fundamentals of Citizenship," both of which are of great value in studying civics.

Outline for work of Bureau:

Department I—Study and Investigation;

(a) Classes in Parliamentary Practice.

1. For conduct of meetings.
2. For public speaking.
3. For responsibilities of officers and members.

(b) Classes for Citizenship;

1. To study local civic seeds.
2. For volunteer service in civic or charity organizations.
3. To study political situations for intelligent voting at the polls.
4. To study the question of taxation in reference to municipal and school levies.

Department II—Active Participation and Co-operation in Civic Affairs;

(a) As an organization—through the proper committees.

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(b) As individuals—in conjunction with other organizations.

This plan is subdivided into two departments in order that the study of Civics and Responsibilities will precede civic action. It is deemed wise and necessary that women should assume civic responsibilities, but it should be emphasized that before these duties be taken on that an intelligent understanding of the subject be obtained by a thorough investigation and a careful study of the situation.

Department II provides for the next step—for decisive action, either as individuals, in exceptional cases, or as an organization in general cases. This may be accomplished by standing committees in organization, to be known as Committee on Civics, Committee on Co-operation, Committee on Public Welfare, etc.

Great care should be taken to avoid unnecessary duplication or overlapping of effort, for this reason it is recommended that there be co-operation between the various womens organizations of the city.

The Chairman of the Bureau will cheerfully furnish any additional information desired and earnestly requests that the State Chairman send her the names and addresses of the State and Province chairmen of Civics. The State and Province chairmen will furnish the names of Alumnae Associations who have appointed chairmen and who have organized classes as suggested above. The State Chairmen will furnish the Bureau Chairman a semi-annual report of all work accomplished.

BUREAU FOR SCHOOLS

Chairman—Miss Rose Costello, 1138 Yale Ave., Chicago, Ill.
St. Xavier Alumnae, Chicago, Ill.

At the Constitutional Convention held in Chicago, November 28, 1915, and at the Second Biennial Convention of Baltimore, November 4, 1916, resolutions were passed by the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae to foster "the advancement of Catholic Education," and to make it "more widely known and appreciated."

To this end it was resolved that wherever an opportunity presented itself the members of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae "seek by word and example" to influence Catholic parents and guardians to send their children to Catholic schools, not only to the elementary schools, but also to Catholic high schools and colleges.

The Bureau of Schools was created to further this work by bringing schools and their Alumnae associations into closer relationship with each other and with the Bureau of Schools by seeking a wider knowledge of the educational tendencies of the day; by carefully considering the pending legislation of the times, especially that which is disadvantageous to Catholic schools.

The watchword of the Bureau of Schools, a realization of the ideal, is "Every Catholic child in a Catholic school from kindergarten through college."

Governors are requested to appoint State or Province chairmen, on whom will devolve the duty of appointing chairmen in all affiliated Alumnae associations to carry out the plans of the Bureau:

1. To encourage, where such meetings are feasible, frequent meetings of Alumnae associations affiliated with the I. F. C. A. for the purpose of a closer union between various religious orders and the schools conducted by them. One means of encouraging this unity of interests may be found in an informal, social reunion, held annually of all the senior classes within accessible distances. Different schools may entertain these classes every year.

2. To interest Alumnae associations to provide ways and means for their Alma Mater for: 1—field trips for classes studying the sciences; 2—visits to museums, art galleries, libraries, manufacturing and industrial plants for all pupils; 3—visual education, such as stereoscopic views, pictures, stereopticon slides, and moving picture reels; materials for sand table work, moulding, and other constructional activities for the study course in religion; 4—gymnastic and physical culture exercises, games and playground activities; 5—English classes by subscriptions or by soliciting magazines and library facilities, and by offering prizes for essays and short stories to be printed in current magazines and the daily press to encourage literary talent.

3. To answer the charges that our Catholic schools are not up to the standard of public or non-Catholic schools, a careful and complete list of all students in our Catholic institutions who win prizes in contests of any kind open to the student body in every school, should be given wide circulation in secular and Catholic newspapers, magazines and periodicals of all kinds, and sent to this Bureau for publication in the I. F. C. A. Bulletin. Likewise a list of candidates who have been successful in Normal, State, Regent, or other competitive examinations should be forwarded for general circulation to this Bureau to prove that our schools are equal or surpass other institutions in such tests. FACTS and STATISTICS are undeniable evidence and have a weightier influence than any other form of propaganda.

4. To facilitate friendly competition among our Catholic schools by attending and encouraging exhibitions and tests in standardized methods of teaching and supervised study periods, such as intelligence tests by which individual differences are shown in pupils, which enable teachers to assign them to the classes to which they belong, and in which they will make the most progress; subject tests given during the term to diagnose a pupil's difficulty with a study in which he has become discouraged; prognostic tests to discover special talent for a study, or a lack of ability for that particular subject.

5. To devise plans by which our pupils are made to continue their education beyond the high and normal school. The lack of Catholic teachers in the public high schools, private and state colleges, and universities shows a need of stimulating the ambition of our students.

6. To form committees to teach Catechism and Church History to those attending non-Catholic schools or no school; to offer the services of these committees as teachers to pastors and to the Catholic Instruction League; to form clubs or societies for the older children who no longer attend school or Sunday school, and to endeavor to secure suitable positions for them and keep in touch with them until they are old enough to join the sodality.

7. In the June, 1923, number of the Bulletin there is an article on the Federation Sister. While every Bureau of the Federation will be benefited by the interest and assistance of this Sister, the Bureau of Schools is especially in need of her co-operation.

The Federation Sister receives copies of the Bulletin, reports of Departments, and of work accomplished by conventions and associations for Catholic welfare: She is the link that binds her association to the whole Federation body.

We realize that it entails great sacrifice to give one Sister time and opportunity to fulfill the duties imposed, but the stimulus given to the alumnae of the school, and the loyal spirit created by the guiding hand from Alma Mater are commensurable compensations.

We ask for the name of your Federation Sister.

8. Report all these activities and matters and special educational interest not herein asked, so that the Bureau may become a storehouse of information regarding the Catholic educational system. This information will be disseminated where needed. Remember! Alumnae Associations report to State or Province Chairmen who compile data received and send it to the Chairman of the Bureau of Schools.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICE

Chairman—Miss Margaret O'Connell, West, Texas.
Sacred Heart Alumnae, Waco, Texas.

The Department of Social Service has for its Chairman the second Vice-President of the Federation, under whose direction is carried on the work of the three Bureaus; Girls' Welfare; Child Welfare; and Girl Scouts. Each Bureau is supervised by an International Chairman who directs the work of the Chapter Chairman appointed by the Governors. Under the direction of the Bureau Chairman, the Chapter Chairmen organize the Social Service work in their respective territories.

Bureau Chairmen: Girls' Welfare, Child Welfare, Girl Scouts.

The outline given is intended to give the general plan. The best results will be attained by co-operating with existing agencies undertaking a specific branch of the work independently only when the lack of an agency already functioning makes it advisable. According to the plan, each State and Province Chapter will have a Social Service Committee through which the activities will function.

Bureau of Girls' Welfare:

- (a) Survey of your own city—resources, needs.
- (b) Co-operation with Big Sisters Associations and other Associations doing preventive work.
- (c) Co-operation with Travelers' Aid and Girls' Protective Agency.
- (d) Home for Employed Young Women.
- (e) Employment Agency.
- (f) Domestic Science Classes.
- (g) English Classes.
- (h) Physical Education and Recreation.

Bureau of Child Welfare:

- (a) Co-operation with State and Local Bureau of Child Hygiene.
- (b) Co-operation with local agencies dealing with the health of the child.
- (c) Co-operation with Juvenile Court.
 - Commitment of Catholic Children.
 - Guardianship of Catholic Children.
 - Neglected Children.
 - Defective Children.
- (d) Co-operation with Court of Domestic Relations.
 - Children of disintegrated Catholic families.
- (e) Medical and Dental Dispensary Clinics.
- (f) Occupational Therapy in Hospital Wards.

Girl Scouts:

- (a) Organization and sponsoring of Scout Troops in parishes, schools or institutions.
- (b) Consulting with local organization.
- (c) Assisting Catholic representatives on Girl Scout Councils.
- (d) Recruiting of leaders.

Functions of Chairmen:

The functions of Bureau Chairmen are:

- (a) To direct Social Service activities over the entire territory of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae.
- (b) To act in an advisory capacity in matters pertaining to the work of their respective Bureaus.
- (c) To keep the Department Chairman in constant touch with the work in her Bureaus.
- (d) To make a report, incorporating in it the condensed reports of the Chapter, two weeks before the annual Board meeting and the Biennial Conventions.
- (e) To make a report at the Biennial Convention.

The Functions of the State and Province Social Service Chairmen are:

- (a) To organize Social Service work under the direction of the Bureau Chairmen.
- (b) To organize a Social Service Committee consisting of one representative from each affiliated Alumnae in the State or Province.
- (c) To make a yearly report by September 1st, to the respective Bureau Chairmen.

To facilitate the work of the Social Service Department, each committee member should be familiar with the social resources of her community.

(a) Social Agencies—Visiting Nurse Association (Public Health Nurses).

Associated Charities.

Society for Friendless.

Society for Prevention of Tuberculosis.

St. Vincent de Paul Society, etc.

Social Service Department of Hospitals and Dispensaries.

(b) Legislation.

(c) Health Department—Sanitation.

(d) Public Institutions—Parks, Playgrounds, Jails, Industrial Schools, Orphanages, etc.

Health work in the schools.

BUREAU OF GIRLS WELFARE

Chairman—Miss Sara E. Laughlin, 5106 Spruce St., Philadelphia, Pa.
St. Joseph's Alumnae, Wheeling, W. Va.

The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae has always had a Bureau of Girls Welfare. Through this Bureau much good work has been accomplished. At no time, however, in our history has it been more necessary for women, who have had special advantage in the way of religious and moral training, to be concerned about the girls, particularly of their own faith, who have not had like advantages in like measure.

It would seem to be practically impossible for the chairman of an International Bureau to say to the local committees concerned about Girls Welfare, just what form their activity should take. While the needs of girls are pretty much the same, there is a variety in the forms, which existing organizations to meet these needs, have taken in various committees. This fact being admitted, it would seem that the most reasonable way then for the local Committees in the Bureau of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae to proceed, especially in view of their educational fitness for research work, would be to make a survey of their own community. For this purpose a survey outline has been worked out and will be sent on request to local chairmen. The chairman of the Bureau is willing at all times to consult on particular problems.

The things that one would need to know about one's own community, in its relation to the care that it provides for its own girls, before deciding what additional aid is most needed are:

1. What provision it makes through its social agencies for service to individual girls in need of counsel, assistance or care.
2. What provisions it makes for housing those who do not have homes of their own, or who for purpose of employment must live away from their homes.
3. What provisions it makes for employment placement.
4. What provision it makes for recreation.

It cannot be too strongly stated that information with reference to one's own community is absolutely necessary for intelligent, constructive action. It is also advisable, even if considerable activity is now under way, to occasionally look over the whole field to insure that the work undertaken at an earlier date is still the most necessary form of service under present conditions. Many organizations have on hand, and will be glad to make available to members of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, information covering one or more of these topics. It will probably be, however, the rare community which will have up-to-date information on all, recorded in one place. The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, therefore, has the unique opportunity, by bringing all this information together, to do a distinctive and worthwhile service to their respective communities. By this they will demonstrate to their communities their keen sense of responsibility and the value of the training they have received.

The chairmen of local committees are requested to write to the chairman of the Bureau of the Girls Welfare when they are ready to begin such an inquiry. It is desirable to begin this work at the earliest possible date, in order that the results may be presented to the next Convention and form the basis of the future program for Girls Welfare.

BUREAU OF CHILD WELFARE

Chairman—Mrs. Helen W. Reese, 1300 North Calvert St., Baltimore, Md.
Alumnae Baltimore Academy of the Visitation.

The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, having a deep interest in the betterment of social conditions for the Catholic child, and feeling that no one is better fitted for this work than her own members, has outlined, through this Bureau, a program for the carrying forward of that part of its work which can be classed under Child Welfare.

That this is a broad field can be seen from the program which is here given to be used as a basis upon which to plan your work. There are two important points to bear in mind; important for you, as a separate group doing social service work, and important to the whole Department of Social Service of the Federation. The first of these is—do not think we expect you to carry out the **entire** program, and the second is—read the program carefully, study the needs of your community, select that part of the program best fitted to it and your own abilities, organize and carry this forward. Select a small part of the program and do this well. Do not be over-ambitious in the beginning. Every individual, and, thereafter, every group of workers, is encouraged to greater efforts and a larger field, by results obtained from small beginnings. As it is the aim of the Federation to co-operate with other agencies doing similar work, special suggestions regarding each part of the program have been prepared in order to avoid overlapping. These will be sent you as soon as the Bureau of Child Welfare is advised of your selection. A questionnaire, suggested for use in making a preliminary survey of your community to establish its needs, may also be obtained upon application to the Chairman of the Bureau.

For the purpose of simplifying its adaptability, we have divided our program into two main divisions: I. Child Health and II. the Neglected and Delinquent Child.

I. Child Health:

A. Preschool Child.

1. Centers for the care of the preschool child where special attention can be given to the weighing and measuring of children, regulation of their diet and general health. These may be combined with Infant Welfare Centers.
2. Physical examination of the preschool child to discover existing physical defects.
3. The correction of these defects before the child enters school to eliminate much of the wasted time during the school period.
4. Instruction of mothers in child hygiene and sanitation of the home for the prevention of the spread of communicable diseases from which many of the physical defects of childhood result. These diseases are also the cause of many of the deaths occurring in this age period.
5. Co-operation with or establishment of day nurseries when necessary. Health Centers so as to provide proper health protection to the children attending them. The same medical and nursing attention should be given.
6. Investigation into the general conditions of the community as they affect the preschool child. This, so far, is the most neglected period of the child's life and consequently is the field wherein there exists the largest opportunity for constructive community work in the future.

School Child:

1. General conditions of our parochial and public schools as they affect the health of the school child.
2. Periodic physical examination of the school child for the detection of physical defects. Special attention should be given to eyes, ears, nose, throat, teeth and heart.
3. Immediate correction of these defects.
4. Establishment of special classes for the instruction of our defective children (deaf, blind, etc.).

II. The Neglected and Delinquent Child:

A. The Neglected Child.

1. Investigation of the existing resources of the community to care for the neglected child.
2. Assisting in the placing of these children in the proper surroundings working in co-operation with the existing agencies.
3. The establishment of such child-caring agencies where none already exist.

B. The Delinquent Child:

1. Provisions for mental examination (Psychiatric Clinics).
2. The formation of groups of "Big Sisters" to foster interest in the delinquent child, working in co-operation with "child-caring" agencies and the Juvenile Court in the commitment of Catholic girls.
3. Follow-up work in the homes of these girls.
4. The establishment of centers in such neighborhoods where these girls may be found, to awaken in them new and wholesome interests, providing instruction in domestic sciences, religion and, if possible, a library of well selected books.

It is suggested that any Alumnae group of interested women desiring to organize with any of the above sections as the main purpose of their organization, can best decide their proper procedure in planning and carrying out a program of work for their own community by making a preliminary survey of that community. A proposed Questionnaire for this Survey may be obtained by applying to the Chairman of the Bureau.

BUREAU OF GIRL SCOUTS

Chairman—Mrs. Nicholas Brady, 189 Lexington Ave., N. Y. C., N. Y.
Sacred Heart Alumnae, Elmhurst, R. I.

Organization and sponsoring of Scout Bands in parishes or schools.

Purpose: The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, appreciating the great need of some kind of organized recreation for our Catholic Junior Girls, has made a careful study of recreational movements both local and national. The Federation has decided to concentrate its efforts in promoting the Girl Scout program, and therefore, has created this Bureau.

Though it, it is hoped, the movement may be brought to the attention of Catholic people, who will serve on Girl Scout Councils and act as leaders of Girl Scout troops. It is also the desire of the Bureau to make it possible for every Catholic school, institution and academy to have its organization of Girl Scouts.

Catholic Interest in Scouting: The Girl Scout movement is a national non-sectarian organization, to which any girl may belong, if she will make the promise, and live up to the laws of the organization. Many of the clergy have approved the philosophy and principles of the Girl Scout program. On every local Council formed there must be at least two Catholic representatives as there are on the National Executive Board of Girl Scouts.

There is a special department at National Headquarters, where all inquiries regarding Catholic matters are cared for. Our interests go hand in hand with the growth of Scouting in the State and the Nation.

What We Should Like to Have Done:

1. State Chairman interest herself in the Girl Scout organization.
2. Appoint representatives.
 - (a) Who will learn about Scouting.
 - (b) Who will consult with the Commissioner.
 - (c) Who will recruit leaders.
 - (d) Who will assist the Catholic representatives on the Council in visiting the clergy and religious.
 - (e) Who will help in the forming of troops, keeping the following desiderata in mind.
 1. Provide leaders.
 2. Obtain approval of those in authority.
 3. Secure adequate meeting place.
 4. Registration of all Scouts.

Every member of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae should read carefully the Girl Scout folder No. 4-A, called "Uncle Sam's Assets—The Girl Scouts." It is this plan of organization which the Girl Scout Bureau wishes to carry out.

The Chairman of the Bureau will be delighted to send any information desired and earnestly requests that you consult with her before beginning the work in your State, town or community.

DEPARTMENT OF LITERATURE

Chairman—Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, A.B., 294 Clinton Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.
St. Clara's College Alumnae, Sinsinawa, Wis.

Organization and Aims.

The Department of Literature comprises five important branches: Literature, Press, Theatre, Motion Picture, and Autographed Volumes.

Each of these Bureaus is conducted by an International Chairman, who in turn has a chairman in each State or Province appointed by the Federation Governor of the State or Province. These State and Province chairmen appoint committees representing as many cities and alumnae in their State or Province as possible.

The Department of Literature aims:

1. To place more Catholic books on the shelves of public libraries.
2. To campaign among our Federated alumnae for pledges from our women that they will ask for one Catholic book from some public library, **each month for a year.**
3. To send to applicants upon request a list of the best Catholic books (list compiled by this Department). This list aims to contain interesting readable and valuable material.
4. To encourage our Catholic young women to express themselves in writing, and to encourage any talent they may show, by publishing their material in the Bulletin and by furnishing them with a list of other periodicals that might be interesting in their work.
5. To correspond with prominent Catholic writers and educators soliciting high class articles for the Bulletin.
6. To further the interest of the Bulletin—which is truly Catholic literature—by placing it in the hands of as many readers as possible.
7. To create a greater demand among our women for literature that is moral and Christian and of high artistic merit.
8. To review the latest books, and have lists on hand and available, of those books that are worth while, and those that are not.
9. To have an information Bureau under the direction of the Chairman who will endeavor to answer questions relating to the latest books.

BUREAU OF CATHOLIC PRESS

Chairman—Mrs. Mary Trudelle Emerson, 926 Therbrook St.,
Chippewa Falls, Wis.

Notre Dame Alumnae, Chippewa Falls, Wis.

The Press Bureau aims:

1. To have a Catholic Press Hour inaugurated in every affiliated school (one hour a week) devoted to reading and discussion of Catholic periodicals and the Bulletin.
2. To see that every Federated school receives one or more copies of the Bulletin regularly.
3. To supply needy missions with reading matter.

BUREAU OF THEATRES

Chairman—Miss Mary E. Brennan, 215 E. 39th St., New York, N. Y.
St. Gabriel's Alumnae, New York, N. Y.

The Theatre Bureau aims:

1. To watch the press criticisms of plays, and when immoral or anti-Catholic plays receive undue praise and credit, send letters of protest to the Editors. This holds for indecent advertisements as well.

2. To draw the attention of your Alumnae Associations and your Catholic friends to any worthy play being given, particularly the classical productions, and urge attendance.

3. To encourage the production of classical drama and plays of high artistic merit in the Drama Society to which you may belong. A great many needlessly cheap productions are given by amateurs through lack of knowledge of the existence of better types of plays within their range.

4. To recognize the work our Catholic Actors and Producers are doing to advance the stage, by a word of appreciation to them.

5. Not to countenance by your own attendance, nor allow your children to be present at performances of whose moral merit you are doubtful. It is folly indeed to risk, through thoughtlessness, the destruction of a priceless grace, that once lost, no belated material solicitude has the power to restore.

BUREAU OF MOTION PICTURES

Chairman—Miss Marie A. Toye, 2184 Bellfield Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.
Ursuline Alumnae, Cleveland, Ohio.

The Motion Picture Bureau aims:

1. To study censorship.

2. To have a Federation woman, or a Catholic woman on the Censorship Board of every state.

3. To have state-wide committees of Catholic women who will watch the moving pictures with intelligent interest, and any pictures they deem to be of evil or immoral influence, to voice a personal protest against the box office in the name of this organization.

4. To send lists of educational pictures or the worth while dramas to our schools, to help them in their selection of films.

5. To communicate with Catholic producers, and try to make their products known to the schools.

BUREAU OF AUTOGRAPHED VOLUMES

Chairman—Miss Margaret M. Cotter, Catholic Sisters' College, Brookland, D. C.
Immaculate Conception Alumnae, Washington, D. C.

Bureau of Autographed Volumes aims:

1. To gather autograph books by prominent Catholic writers and educators, to be placed as a Federation collection in the Catholic Sisters College library at Washington.

2. To mark books with the book plate of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae.

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RESOLUTION

Resolution adopted November 28, 1915, at Constitutional Convention in Chicago, Ill.

Whereas, The history of our Catholic schools is an important chapter in the history of Catholicity in America, and therefore worthy of being recorded;

Be it Resolved: That we suggest to every Alumnae Association that it have among its officers an historian, whose duty it shall be to preserve the annals of her Alma Mater and to report at every regular meeting.

SUGGESTIONS FOR PROMOTING THE WORK OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC ALUMNAE

The duties of the Historian are two-fold, viz: First, to collect, and arrange in chronological order, authentic data regarding facts and activities that may properly form the basis of future published work; and secondly, to truthfully record historical developments, as gleaned from such data.

It is of the first, and perhaps the more difficult of these duties, that we here treat; and the following suggestions are offered with the view of facilitating the gathering of complete and accurate historical data, and touch upon only such features as experience has proven to be fundamental and absolutely essential to the accomplishment of this purpose.

Presidents of Alumnae Associations should consider it a major obligation to appoint, and maintain as permanent, efficient Press Committees, whose duties shall be to publish, in Catholic and secular papers, educational and social activities of their respective organizations, and of the schools which they represent.

Governors should appoint State or Province Historians, on whom will devolve the duty of collecting from their affiliated associations, the following:

- (a) Copies of all official communications.
- (b) Press clippings of all published matter.
- (c) Programs of Commencements and other public functions.
- (d) Copies of all alumnae literature.

These should be promptly forwarded to the Federation Historian.

All press clippings should bear, in small characters on the margin, the names of papers in which they appeared, and the date of publication. This will insure the arrangement in chronological order, of matter in historical files, and the proper accrediting of co-operation, to our friends of the Press.

By the recorded deeds of today will we be judged, in future years, by our successors in the work. Co-operation with our Historical Department, offers to us individually and collectively, a test of fealty to Alma Mater and Federation.

ALUMNAE SATURDAY COMMUNION

Chairman—Mrs. A. L. Fitzpatrick, 1510 N. Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa.
Alumnae of the Sisters of Mercy Academies, Philadelphia and Merion, Pa.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, Saturday is the day set aside by Holy Mother Church for 'special devotion to our patroness, Mary Immaculate.

Resolved: The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae adopt the Saturday following the first Friday as a day of general Communion.

Approved by the Executive Board 1922.

Individual Members! upon your co-operation depends the success and glory of Alumnae Saturday.

EMBLEM

Chairman—Mrs. George G. Worthley, 321 Park Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.
St. James Alumnae, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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(Blue with Silver Emblem)..... 2.00

All orders must be accompanied by CHECK or MONEY ORDER (Canada P. O. Money Orders only) and sent to the International Chairman.

YEAR BOOK

Chairman—Mrs. John McEniry, 2005 Seventh Ave., Moline, Ill.
Immaculate Conception Alumnae, Davenport, Iowa.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR PHILADELPHIA CONVENTION

Chairman—Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, 11 E. Chase St., Baltimore, Md.
Alumnae of the Baltimore Academy of the Visitation.

NATIONAL SHRINE

Chairman—Miss Mary B. O'Toole, A.B., 2605 N. Capitol St., Washington, D. C.
Mt. St. Agnes Alumnae, Baltimore, Md.

INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Chairman—Miss Mary Louise Darr, 1422 Longfellow St., Washington, D. C.
Holy Cross Alumnae, Washington, D. C.

LEGISLATIVE

Chairman—Miss Agnes G. Regan, 1312 Massachusetts Ave., Washington, D. C.
St. Rose Academy Alumnae, San Francisco, California.

The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae in the Convention of 1920 expressed in no uncertain terms the attitude of its members with regard to the exercise of the right of Suffrage, as the following quotation from one of the Resolutions there adopted will testify:

Resolved: That the members of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae earnestly prepare themselves in every way to vote intelligently on municipal, state and national issues and that they exercise the right of franchise.

Everywhere in one state or another, in this great land of ours, as well as in Washington, Legislative bodies are meeting, formulating, discussing and voting upon measures which deal not simply with the purely physical and material, but which involve as well the fundamental principles of morality.

Women do not always vote directly upon different questions but their representatives do. Again, in certain states where the Initiative and Referendum method of voting upon legislative measures has been adopted, citizens do have the right of personally casting their ballots for or against such legislative measures. It is, therefore, most important that our Catholic women acquire full and definite information concerning State and Federal Legislation.

The Bureau of Legislation of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, has been established for the purpose of supplying information about current, State and National legislation. Special attention will be given for the present to legislation concerning the following questions:

- (1) Education.
- (2) Child Welfare.
- (3) Mothers' Pensions.
- (4) Women in Industry.

This information will be supplied through mimeographed sheets issued monthly to State Legislative Chairmen.

The question arises what can be done by local Alumnae to carry out an intelligent and effective legislative program. The Bureau suggests the following:

1. Become acquainted with existing conditions under the head of Education and Social problems in your own community, state and the country.
2. Provide for discussion of such conditions and study what kinds of legislation would improve conditions in your own community.
3. Arrange for discussion of proposed legislative measures.
4. Arrange for discussion of measures which have been introduced in State Legislatures and Congress.

5. NOTE—Special care should be taken to keep all of these discussions on a non-partisan basis.

6. Secure, if possible, representation by Catholic women at meetings of non-sectarian groups discussing legislative measures, whether state or federal.

Women throughout the country have now the opportunity of securing through the National Council of Catholic Women, definite information concerning social, civic and industrial questions, the Social Action Department and the Legislative Department of the National Catholic Welfare Council being prepared at all times to respond to any request for information along these lines.

The Bureau will issue monthly to State Legislative Chairmen, data concerning federal and state legislation, including definite statements wherever fundamental principles or definite Catholic viewpoint are involved.

Legislative Chairmen are specially requested to keep the Central Bureau informed with regard to legislative matters in their various states.

CANADIAN SECTION

Chairman—Mrs. M. J. Lyons, 176½ Nepean St., Ottawa.
Cong. de Notre Dame Alumnae, Ottawa, Ontario.

CATHOLIC SISTERS' COLLEGE

Chairman—Mrs. Charles A. Jackson, 25 Hillside Ave., Waterbury, Conn.
Cong. de Notre Dame Alumnae, Waterbury, Conn.

REVISION

Chairman—Miss Ada K. Gannon, 913 Charlotte Ave., Davenport, Iowa.
Immaculate Conception Alumnae, Davenport, Iowa.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

Chairman—Mrs. Arthur S. Bird, 205 Center St., Salt Lake City, Utah.
Sacred Heart Alumnae, Manhattanville, N. Y.

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Chairman—Miss Mary Unnewehr, 3402 Cornell Place, Clifton, Cincinnati, Ohio, Our Lady of Mercy Alumnae, Cincinnati, Ohio.

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC ALUMNAE

1. What is the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae?

A Federation consisting of Alumnae Associations of Catholic High Schools, Colleges and Universities, founded by Miss Clare I. Cogan and Mrs. James J. Sheeran of the Alumnae of St. Joseph's College, Emmitsburg, Maryland, with the permission and blessing of James Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop of Baltimore, the approval of John Cardinal Farley, Archbishop of New York, William Cardinal O'Connell, Archbishop of Boston, and thirty-seven members of the American Hierarchy. It was organized in New York City, November 27th, 28th and 29th, 1914, when representatives of one hundred and two Alumnae, from all parts of the United States and Canada, met and solemnly undertook the work.

2. What is the purpose of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae?

Its object is "to bring into communication the various distinct Catholic Alumnae Associations, for the purpose of upholding ideals of Catholic Womanhood and to formulate plans for the extension of Catholic education, Catholic literature, and Catholic social work."

3. By what method is the Federation co-ordinating the vast power of Catholic educated women?

By the organization of State and Province Chapters and I. F. C. A. Circles.

4. How is the Federation supported?

The officers serve without compensation. The current expenses, like printing, postage, etc., are paid from the yearly dues of the affiliated Alumnae Associations. Affiliated Associations are taxed as follows:
Initiation—\$5.00.

Yearly Dues—100 members or less \$5.00, \$1.00 of which is for one year's subscription to the Quarterly Bulletin of the I. F. C. A. 100 to 300 members \$10.00, \$2.00 of which is for two yearly subscriptions to the Quarterly Bulletin of the I. F. C. A.

Over 300 members \$15.00, \$3.00 of which is for three yearly subscriptions to the Quarterly Bulletin of the I. F. C. A.

Initiation and yearly dues to accompany application.

5. When does the Federation meet?

It has Biennial Conventions. Every affiliated Association is entitled to a delegate and alternate. The meetings are open to visitors.

6. What is the official organ of the Federation?

"The Quarterly Bulletin of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae." Price, \$1.00 a year.

STATE AND PROVINCE CHAPTERS

7. How is the business of the State or Province Chapters conducted?

Through Governors.

8. How do Governors take office?

Governors are appointed by the Executive Board to conduct the business of State or Province Chapters.

9. How is a State or Province Chapter federated?

The appointed Governor and her committee draw up proposed By-Laws and submit draft to the Chairman of Organization, who returns it with suggestions or corrections. Upon the insertion of necessary changes in a re-written draft, the By-Laws are again submitted with the original copy to the Chairman of Organization, and upon her recommendation and approval of the Executive Board, the By-Laws are officially signed by the President. Then and then only is the State or Province Chapters empowered to hold elections for the conduct of its business.

10. What States and Provinces have federated?
New York, Maryland, Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, Ohio, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Mississippi, Ontario, Colorado, Minnesota, Indiana, District of Columbia, Kentucky, Nebraska, Georgia, Tennessee, Texas, Utah and Wisconsin.
11. Where is application for membership made?
Application for membership must be made to the Governor. No Alumnae will be received into the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae except upon the Governor's signature on the regular application blank.
12. Where do Governors send application blank?
When application blank is properly filled out, and **accompanied by initiation fee, and first year's dues**, the Governor signs the application and sends it with check to the Recording Secretary.
13. What provision is made for State and Provinces where no association has joined the Federation?
The Trustees of the Executive Board are responsible for inviting such associations to join, each Trustee having her own geographical area for the development. The association making the first application for membership is accorded the honor of Governorship and the name sent by the association is ratified by the President as the appointed Governor.
14. Do Governors take any part in the conduct of International business?
Governors assist in the work of the International organization through the Advisory Council, reporting conditions, developments, and progress in their chapters.
15. What are the principal duties of the Governor to the International organization?
Governors are requested:
 1. To have their secretaries file with the **President** three typewritten lists of the names and addresses of the Mother Superiors and Federation Sisters of all institutions in their chapters whose alumnae associations are affiliated with the Federation and the names and addresses of the secretaries of all affiliated alumnae associations in their respective Chapter in order that copies of the Year Book and Bulletin may be sent to the proper person.
 2. To appoint Chapter Chairmen upon request of Department, Bureau and International Chairmen, forwarding name and address of each Chapter chairman to such chairmen and entering same on Chapter record, to assist the International appointees to carry on every separate activity of the Federation.
 3. To compile a file of individual members for the Chapter record and to send the number of individual members in each association to the chairman of individual membership.
 4. To notify the President of the date and place of each Chapter meeting thirty days prior to meeting.
 5. To attend conventions and to urge each association to send a delegate, an alternate and as many visitors as possible. If unable to be present at convention, appoint an officer or alumnae member to serve as acting Governor or notify the President to appoint an alternate or visitor at convention from your Chapter to serve in your stead.

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC ALUMNAE

APPLICATION BLANK

State..... City or
Post Office.....

1. Official name of the association and date of foundation.
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Address of School.....
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2. President
Address.....
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3. Secretary
Address.....
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4. Number of active members.....

5. Is the membership restricted to graduates?.....

6. Quote your Constitution Article covering "Membership."
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7. State the official standing: whether College or High School.
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8. What State affiliation has your school?
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9. Order of Religious in charge.....
Date.....

THE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF.....
hereby makes application for membership in the

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC ALUMNAE,
the dues of which are as follows:

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Approved.....
State Governor

Address.....

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All communications between the Federation and an Association should be made
through the Secretary.

SIXTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION

OFFICIAL CALL

TIME AND PLACE

The Sixth Biennial Convention of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae will be held at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 18 to 26, 1924.

REPRESENTATION

ARTICLE IV. Section 1. International Officers and Governors of State or Province Chapters, by virtue of their office, shall have voice and vote in International Conventions.

Section 2. Each Alumnae Association shall be entitled to one delegate. All such delegates shall be duly elected by their respective Associations.

Section 3. Alternates for each delegate may be elected by each Alumnae Association to serve in the absence of the regularly elected delegates.

Section 4. No Association in arrears shall be entitled to representation at Conventions of this Federation.

The Executive Board recommends that delegates to Biennial Conventions be graduates.

The names and addresses of the duly elected delegates and alternates should be sent to the International Chairman of Credentials, Miss Florence A. Colford, 1512 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., until October 10, 1924. After October 15, 1924, to Miss Colford at the Bellevue-Stratford, Philadelphia, Pa.

ROLL CALL

Governors will please be prepared to answer Roll Call for their respective Chapters, Monday, October 20th, at the opening session, giving the number of International Officers, International Chairmen, delegates, Alumnae members and Religious in their delegations.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

ARTICLE VIII. Section 3. There shall be a Nominating Committee at such Conventions to present a candidate for each office to be filled by election, and it shall be composed of a delegate from each State or Province who has been previously selected by the delegation to which she belongs. Delegates, however, may suggest other candidates from the floor of the Convention.

When the Chapter representative on the Nominating Committee is elected at a Chapter meeting, Governors are requested to send the name of the delegate for this Committee to the Recording Secretary. Miss Anna R. Ward, 2630 Lake View Avenue, Chicago, Ill., before October 10, 1924. In Chapters where the delegate is not elected until after the opening session of the Convention, Governors are requested to call a meeting of all delegates present at the Convention, Monday, October 20th, between the hours of 5 P. M. and 6 P. M., to elect delegates to the Nominating Committee and to give the names of the delegates on this Committee to Miss Ward, Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, before 9 A. M., Tuesday, October 21st.

REGISTRATION

There will be a registration fee of \$1.00 for all officers, Governors, International Chairmen and delegates; fifty cents for alternates, twenty-five cents for Alumnae members and visitors.

TRANSPORTATION

Reduced Railroad Rates on all railroads in the United States and Canada have been granted by the various passenger associations to Alumnae members and visitors attending the Convention. A round trip rate of one and one-half

current fare has been granted on the identification certificate plan, on condition of an attendance of 250 or more presenting certificates or receipts showing the purchase of one-way tickets from points from which the local one way fare to Philadelphia is 67 cents or more. A special agent will validate certificates at Philadelphia. One-half current return fare will be issued if certificate is validated. Apply to local agent for certificate in ample time before purchasing your ticket. Governors may secure all information desired from the Chairman of Transportation, Miss Marie C. Dalgliesh, 2141 Medary Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa. Local agents of all railroads will explain identification certificate plan upon request.

Hotel rates were mailed to Governors in April with a request that a copy be sent to each Alumnae Association. If your association has not received these rates, please apply for same to Miss Margaret T. McHugh, 811 Court Street, Portsmouth, Va.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

All Resolutions appropriate to the aims of the Federation must be sent, typed in triplicate before October 10, 1924, to the International Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, Mrs. Charles S. Woodruff, The Walbert Apartment, Baltimore, Md.

REVISION COMMITTEE

As previously recommended at the Governors' session and by the Executive Board at the Indianapolis Board Meeting, October 21, 1921, a Revision Committee, Miss Ada K. Gannon, Chairman, Miss M. Louise Darr and Miss Florence A. Colford will present a complete revision of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Federation.

HOSPITALITY FOR RELIGIOUS

Hospitality will be extended to all Nuns in attendance at the Convention by the Religious Orders resident in Philadelphia and by the Pennsylvania Chapter of the Federation.

Names of all Religious who expect to attend the Convention should be sent to the Chairman on Hospitality for the Religious, Mrs. Charles J. Hoban, 1609 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

DRESS

The following resolution, unanimously adopted at the Baltimore Convention, is brought to the attention of the delegates and visitors at the Philadelphia Convention. Adherence to the spirit of the Resolution will be proof sufficient of the sincerity of the I. F. C. A.

Whereas, the chief aim of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae is to uphold the ideals of Catholic womanhood.

And whereas, the styles that fashion decrees are only too often a contradiction of these ideals:

Be it Resolved That we, in Convention assembled, pledge ourselves to help counteract, by our example, this great evil.

MRS. HARRY M. BENZINGER, President.

MISS MARGARET T. MCHUGH, Secretary.

INTERNATIONAL CHAIRMEN OF CONVENTION COMMITTEES

Local Biennial Committee—Miss T. Florence Close, Philadelphia, Pa.

Resolutions—Mrs. Charles S. Woodruff, Baltimore, Md.

Elections—Miss Frances Litchner, Chicago, Ill.

Badges for Convention—Miss Charlotte E. Smith, Baltimore, Md.

Transportation—Miss Marie C. Dalgliesh, Philadelphia, Pa.

Credentials—Miss Florence C. Colford, Washington, D. C.

Rules and Regulations—Miss Regina Fisher, Philadelphia, Pa.

THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC ALUMNAE

Program of the SIXTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION

OCTOBER 17th-26th, 1924
Philadelphia, Pa.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17th

- 7:45 A. M.—Mass, St. John's Church, 13th and Chestnut Streets.
9:00 A. M. to 12:15 P. M.—Meeting of the Executive Board, Pink Room.
12:30 P. M.—Luncheon and trip on the boat of His Honor, the Mayor of Philadelphia.
4:00 P. M. to 6:00 P. M.—Meeting of the Executive Board, Pink Room.
8:00 P. M.—Meeting of the Executive Board, Pink Room.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18th

- 9:00 A. M. to 12:30; 2:30 to 4:30—Meeting of the Governors and Executive Board. Right Reverend Monsignor Edward A. Pace, presiding. Green Room.
8:00 P. M.—Reception to meet His Eminence, D. Cardinal Dougherty, Archbishop of Philadelphia.
March of The Priests.....Mendelssohn
Meyer-Davis Orchestra
Greetings.....Miss T. Florence Close
Governor of the Pennsylvania Chapter, I. F. C. A.
Carnival of Venice (Soprano Solo).....Benedict
Mme. Josephine Lucchese
Address.....Honorable W. Freeland Kendrick
Mayor of Philadelphia.
Response.....Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger
President of the I. F. C. A.
Solvieg's SongGrieg
Swiss Echo SongEckert
Mme. Josephine Lucchese
Address.....Right Reverend Thomas J. Shahan
Honorary President of the I. F. C. A.
LaBoheme (Orchestra)Puccini
Address.....His Eminence, D. Cardinal Dougherty
Coronation March from "The Prophet" (Orchestra)Meyerbeer
*Steinway piano used.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19th

- 11:00 A. M.—Pontifical Mass at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul. His Eminence, D. Cardinal Dougherty, Celebrant. Sermon by His Grace, the Most Reverend Michael J. Curley, D.D., Archbishop of Baltimore.
1:30 P. M.—Luncheon, Sacred Heart Convent, Overbrook, Pennsylvania.
3:45 P. M.—Pageant, Our Lady of the Federation, Metropolitan Opera House. under the direction of the Sisters and Alumnae of the Villa Maria Academy, Immaculata, Pennsylvania.
5:30 P. M.—Benediction, Right Reverend Monsignor Nevin, F. Fisher, V.G., Prot. Ap. Tea and Reception at Notre Dame Academy, West Rittenhouse Square, Philadelphia, Pa.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20th

- 8:00 A. M.—Mass and General Communion for the deceased Alumnae members at St. Patrick's Church, Twentieth and Locust Streets.
Right Reverend Michael J. Crane, D.D., V.G., Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia, Celebrant.
Music by the Boy Choir of St. Francis of Assisi Church, under the direction of Miss Katherine A. Rowan, Organist.

- 9:30 A. M.—Opening Session of the Sixth Biennial Convention.
 Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, Visitation Alumnae, Baltimore, Md.,
 President of the I. F. C. A., presiding.
 Invocation—His Eminence, D. Cardinal Dougherty.
 Federation Hymn—Words and music by His Eminence, Cardinal
 O'Connell.
 Miss Katherine A. Rowan, Chairman of Convention Music, con-
 ducting.
 Address—Right Reverend Monsignor Edward A. Pace, Director.
 Address—"Pro Deo et Doctrina." Sister Mary De Paul Cogan,
 O.S.D., Co-Founder I. F. C. A.
 Paper—"Are Catholic Schools Undemocratic?" Reverend Joseph
 M. O'Hara, Superintendent of Parochial Schools of Philadelphia.
 Roll Call.
 Reading of Convention Call—Miss Anna R. Ward, Recording
 Secretary.
 Preliminary Report of Committee on Credentials—Miss Florence
 A. Colford, Chairman.
 Report of President—Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger.
 Announcement of Committees.
 Report of Committee on Rules—Miss Regina Fisher, Chairman.
- 12:45 P. M.—Luncheon. Hostesses: Alumnae of Seton Hill College, Greens-
 burg, Pa.; St. Joseph's Academy, Greensburg; Sacred Heart
 High School Alumni, Pittsburgh, Pa.
 "The Press"—Mrs. Eugene Fusz, Governor of Missouri Chapter.
 "Catholic Education and Legislation"—Reverend Paul L. Blakely,
 S.J.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, presiding.

- 2:30 P. M.—Prayer.
 Hymn—Our Lady of The Federation.
 (Words and music by the Sister Servants of the Immaculate
 Heart of Mary, Villa Maria College.)

Reports of Officers:

Recording Secretary.....Miss Anna R. Ward
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 Graduates 1923-1924Miss Mary E. Brennan
 Convention BadgesMiss Charlotte E. Smith
 I. F. C. A. Emblem.....Mrs. George G. Worthley
 TransportationMiss Marie Dalgleish

EVENING SESSION

- 8:00 P. M.—Prayer—Reverend Joseph A. Skelly, C. M., Director of the Central Association of the Miraculous Medal.
President's Address—Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger.
Proposing and Doing—Right Reverend Monsignor Edward A. Pace.
At this session each Governor will give a brief report of what her Chapter has accomplished for Catholic Education, Literature and Social Service.
"Star Spangled Banner."

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21st

- 7:45 A. M.—Mass, St. John's Church, 13th and Chestnut Streets.
9:00 A. M. to 12:00 M.—Session of the Department of Education.
Mrs. Mary B. Finan, A.B., First Vice-President, presiding.
Mount St. Joseph College A.A., Dubuque.
Prayer.
Federation Hymn.
Report of Chairman of Department, Mrs. Mary B. Finan.

Reports of Chairmen of Bureaus:

Braille	Miss Clara L. Joyce, B.M.
Location of the Blind.....	Miss Mary C. Toy
Parliamentary Law	Mrs. S. F. Wilhelmi
Civics	Miss Mary Unnewehr
Art	Mrs. William John Zeh
Placement of Professional and Business Women.....	Mrs. Joseph W. Brooks
Music	Miss Rose Henley
Schools	Miss Rose Costello

General Discussion of Reports.

- 12:45 P. M.—Luncheon. Hostesses: Mt. Mercy Academy, Pittsburgh; Cathedral High School Alumnae, Pittsburgh; Alumnae of Mt. St. Aloysius Academy, Cresson, Penna.; Alumnae of St. Xavier's Academy, Latrobe, Penna.
"Prejudice"—Mrs. Frank P. Scrivener, A.B., Honorary Governor, Maryland Chapter.
"The Ideals of the Catholic Educated Women." Right Reverend John J. McCord, Bishop of Altoona.
Paper—A Valiant Woman and Her Influence on American Education. Sister M. Basiline, B.V.M., Ph.D.

AFTERNOON SESSION

- 2:30 to 4:30 P. M.—Session of the Department of Social Service. Miss Margaret O'Connell, Second Vice-President, presiding. Sacred Heart Alumnae, Waco, Texas.
Prayer.
Hymn—"Our Lady of the Federation."
Report of Chairman of Department—Miss O'Connell.

Reports of Chairmen of Bureaus:

Girl Welfare	Miss Sara E. Laughlin
Child Welfare	Miss Helen Whelan Reese
Girl Scouts	Mrs. Nicholas F. Brady

General Discussion of Reports.

- Big Sisters—Lady Armstrong, Alumnae Association, St. Agnes Seminary, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Address—"National Catholic Service School." Reverend William J. Kerby, Ph.D., Acting Director of National Catholic Service School.

TUESDAY, EVENING, OCTOBER 21st

- 8:00 P. M.—Business Session. Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, presiding.
Prayer.
Final Report of Committee on Credentials—Miss Florence A. Colford, Chairman.
Report of Committee on Revision—Miss Ada K. Gannon, Chairman.
“Star Spangled Banner.”

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22d

- 7:45 A. M.—Mass, St. John's Church, 13th and Chestnut Streets.
9:00 A. M.—Session of the Department of Literature.
Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, A.B., Third Vice-President, presiding. St. Clara's College Alumnae, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin.
Prayer.
Federation Hymn.
Report of Chairman of Department. Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, A.B.
Reports of Chairmen of Bureaus:
Catholic PressMrs. Mary E. Emerson
Motion PicturesMiss Mary Toye
TheatreMiss Mary E. Brennan
Autographed Volumes.....Miss Mary J. Elcock, Acting Chairman
General Discussion of Reports:
“Idealism and Literature”—Sister Mary Pius, M.A., Mt. St. Agnes College, Maryland.
“The Importance of Our Catholic Press”—The Reverend John J. Wynne, S.J.
“What the Federation Can Do for Motion Pictures”—Colonel Jason S. Joy.
11:15 A. M.—Final Report of Committee on Revision.
11:30 A. M.—Meeting of Nominating Committee.
12:45 P. M.—Luncheon. Hostesses: Alumnae of the Sacred Heart Academy, Lancaster; St. Mary's of the Mount, High School Alumni, Pittsburgh; Alumnae of the Ursuline Academy, Pittsburgh; Catholic Girls' High School Alumnae, Philadelphia.
“The Stage”—Mrs. James F. Mallon, President of Loretto Alumnae, Toronto, Ontario.
“The Influence of the Catholic Educated Women.” Right Reverend Michael J. Hoban, Bishop of Scranton.
2:30 P. M.—Bulletin Session. Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, presiding.
Prayer.
Introductory—Mrs. James J. Sheeran, Editor.
Address—St. Francis de Sales, Patron of Catholic Writers. Right Reverend John L. Belford, Ph.D.
Reports:
Assistant EditorMiss Mary E. Brennan
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7:00 P. M.—Banquet.
The Holy Father—Right Reverend Monsignor Edward A. Pace.
Songs of the Affiliated Nations—Orchestra.
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Villa Maria Alumnae, Immaculata, Pennsylvania.

Catholic Life.

The Family—Mrs. James J. Sheeran, Co-Founder St. Joseph's College Alumnae, Emmitsburg, Maryland.
The School—Mrs. John J. Hickey, Alumnae of Notre de Namur, Roxbury, Boston, Massachusetts.
How the Religious Serves—Mrs. A. H. S. Bird, Manhattanville Sacred Heart Alumnae, New York.
"Blue Danube" Waltz—Johann Strauss.
Pleasures of Life—Mrs. James P. Byrne, Mt. St. Vincent's Alumnae, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
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"Selections"—Victor Herbert.
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Girl's Contribution—Miss Sara E. Laughlin, St. Joseph's Alumnae, Wheeling, West Virginia.
The Spiritual Element in Life—Miss Agnes G. Regan, St. Rita's Alumnae, San Francisco, California.
"Peer Gynt" Suite—Edward Grieg.
The Larger Good—Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, A.B., St. Clara's College Alumnae, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin.
Pennsylvania Chapter—Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger.
"Hail Pennsylvania."

Music by Meyer-Davis Orchestra.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23d

7:45 A. M.—Mass, St. John's Church, 13th and Chestnut Streets.
9:00 A. M.—Business Session. Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, presiding.
Prayer.
Report of the Committee on Nominations.
Unfinished Business.
11:00 A. M.—Election of Officers.
12:45 P. M.—Luncheon. Hostesses: Alumnae of St. Joseph's Academy, McSherrystown, Penna.; Alumnae of St. Mary's Academy, Logan, Penna.; St. Matthew's High School Alumni, Conshohocken, Penna.
"The Ballot"—Mrs. A. R. Meyers, Governor of Kentucky, Chapter.
"The Notable Catholic Women in History."—Reverend Charles L. O'Brien, S.J.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23d

2:30 P. M.—Afternoon Session. Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, presiding.
Prayer.
Unfinished Business.
New Business.
Report of the Committee on Resolutions—Mrs. Charles S. Woodruff, Chairman Visitation Alumnae, Baltimore, Maryland.
Report of the Committee on Elections—Miss Frances Lichtner, Chairman Academy of Our Lady Alumnae, Longwood, Chicago, Illinois.
Meeting of the Executive Board on Call of the President.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24th

"Philadelphia Day"

8:00 A. M. —Leave Bellevue-Stratford by Automobile: Visiting Sisters Executive Board, Governors, Delegates, International Chairmen and Regents for "Mater Misericordiae," Merion, Pa.

- 9:30 A. M.—Mass in Convent Chapel. Celebrant, Right Reverend Monsignor Fenton J. Fitzpatrick.
Reception.
- 11:00 A. M.—Luncheon.
- 1:00 P. M.—Leave for Mt. St. Joseph's Convent, Chestnut Hill, Penna., via Fairmount Park.
- 3:00 P. M.—Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Right Reverend Monsignor Edward Fitzmaurice, D.D., Celebrant.
Reception, Tea.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25th

"Historic Day"

- 8:00 A. M.—Leave Bellevue-Stratford by Automobile, the same guests as on Friday. Down Broad Street to Navy Yard, thence to Independence and Carpenters' Halls, St. Joseph and St. Mary's Churches, Betsy Ross House and from there to Villa Maria College, Immaculata, Penna., for Reception and Luncheon.
- 2:30 P. M.—Leave for Valley Forge.
- 5:30 P. M.—Rosemont College. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Right Reverend Monsignor J. A. Whitaker, S.T.L., Chancellor Celebrant. Reception and Tea; St. Leonard's and Sharon Hill Alumnae, Hostesses.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26th

"Atlantic City Day"

- 9:00 A. M.—Leave Broad Street Station, Philadelphia. Special Train. Convention Rates for Alumnae members, for transportation.
- 9:00 P. M.—Return to Broad Street Station.

SIXTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC ALUMNAE

RECEPTION

to meet

HIS EMINENCE, D. CARDINAL DOUGHERTY
ARCHBISHOP OF PHILADELPHIA

BELLEVUE-STRATFORD HOTEL, PHILADELPHIA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1924

ADDRESS OF RIGHT REVEREND THOMAS J. SHAHAN
HONORARY PRESIDENT

Your Eminence: I am very proud to present to you the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, and to express to you their gratitude for the cordial welcome which you extend to them on the occasion of their Sixth Biennial Convention.

In a little more than a decade, by reason of the closer union of all our Associations of Catholic Alumnae, it has taken on great proportions, and we are richer today by this nation-wide organization of many Associations of graduates from our convents, schools and colleges for women. Its original purpose is to focus, so to speak, all the good will, energy and social idealism which are bound in our Association of Catholic Alumnae, and to lend them a uniformity and a fuller consciousness of all to a broader view and a wider practical co-operation for all the interests of our holy religion, worship, charity education and every form of that higher spiritual culture which it is the purpose of the Catholic Church to guard, advance and preserve.

The main interest of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae is the educational interest. More than any other association it emphasizes the duty the Catholic Church owes to our Sisterhood, and shows forth at the same time by personal example its infinite charm and irresistible power. For that matter, all Catholic interests come within the purview of this Association in so far as they concern women, and what does not concern her in any phase of modern life?

The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae rejoices to conduct its deliberations under your paternal guidance and amid your faithful people. It is long since the City of Brotherly Love has earned its Christian title by the services it has rendered. May its ancient spirit of good will and charity rest upon these good women who have come from many parts of our nation to serve in their own way the holy cause of religion, at a time when its benevolent influence is imperiled, and who should be welcomed as a unit to save all the great political creeds, economic principles, moral convictions, which have placed us in the front ranks of the people of the world, and make us, to no small extent, responsible for the future of humanity.

ADDRESS OF HIS EMINENCE, D. CARDINAL DOUGHERTY

The twofold pleasant task has been assigned me of welcoming to Philadelphia the officers and delegates of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae for their sixth biennial convention; and of presenting to them His Honor, W. Freeland Kendrick, Mayor of the city.

It will be a surprise to the public to learn that although your association is to keep its tenth birthday the coming month of November, it already comprises fifty-two chapters, aggregating sixty thousand members, from forty-three States of our own nation; besides Canada, England, Ireland, Belgium, France and Switzerland.

You, the flower of our Catholic womanhood, cultured in mind and heart, have

set before yourselves, as the aim of your Federation, the upholding of Christian ideals, particularly in reference to woman; and also the promotion of Christian education and social service; your motto being "Pro Deo et Doctrina"—(For God and Culture). It is your endeavor to attain that purpose not merely by teaching, but still more by good example.

Needless to say, a phalanx of trained minds and hearts with such ideals should prove a leaven to society. We trust that you will set your faces relentlessly against the abuses of our times, and, in particular, against objectionable literature, unbecoming dress, indecent moving pictures, immodest dances, and the cancerous evils of birth-control and divorce.

Whilst the ancient Romans clung to their pristine simplicity of life, to their love of work, to their scorn of effeminacy, to their abstemiousness, to their regard for family life, they overcame and ruled the world. As soon as the luxury of the Orient was introduced into their midst, decay set in; for with luxury came love of wealth, of ostentation, of pleasure, the divorce evil, and every manner of indulgence—sure forerunners of the decline and fall of a country. Do your share to keep our nation from the fate which befell Rome.

You are gathered for your convention in a city which was founded on simplicity, moderation and brotherly love, described in Longfellow's "Evangeline":

In that delightful land which is washed by the Delaware's waters,
Guarding in sylvan shades the name of Penn the apostle,
Stands on the banks of its beautiful stream the city he founded.
There all the air is balm, and the peach is the emblem of beauty,
And the streets still re-echo the names of the trees of the forest,
As if they fain would appease the Dryads whose haunts they molested.
There from the troubled sea had Evangeline landed, an exile.
Finding among the children of Penn a home and a country.
There old Rene Leblanc had died; and when he departed,
Saw at his side only one of all his hundred descendants.
Something at least there was in the friendly streets of the city,
Something that spake to her heart, and made her no longer a stranger;
And her ear was pleased with the Thee and Thou of the Quakers,
For it recalled the past, the old Acadian country,
Where all men were equal, and all were brothers and sisters.

You may not now hear on our streets the "Thee and Thou of the Quakers"; but I am confident that there is something here that will speak to your hearts and make you feel in our midst as no strangers. For this city is the birthplace of our nation and the cradle of our liberty. Philadelphia and surroundings, within a radius of thirty miles, contains more historical spots, more memorials of the past, more national shrines than any other place in our land. It was the storm centre of the pre-Revolutionary period. Here the mind of America first stirred against British oppression. In this city the earliest protest against unjust taxation by England was made, a protest which eventuated in the Boston Tea Party.

In 1774 the First Continental Congress met in Carpenters' Hall and threatened the mother-country with cessation of commercial relations.

The following year, in Independence Hall, the Second Continental Congress sat. In it the Declaration of Independence was adopted on July 4, 1776, after it had been written by Thomas Jefferson a few blocks from where we are assembled. In that historic building Washington accepted command of the Continental Army. On Arch Street, a stone's throw from the Delaware, the little brick house still stands, in which Betsy Ross, in conjunction with Washington and Robert Morris, designed and made the first flag of our country. You are near the place where, pursued by the British, Washington crossed the Delaware in the depth of winter, steering his little boat through the ice floes; and not far north, on the Schuylkill River, you may still see the entrenchments cast up by the Continental Army at Valley Forge, where he and his men left the imprint of their bare and bleeding feet on the snow and ice.

In this city the Constitution of the United States was drawn up and adopted. Here, until the year 1800, lived our Presidents, and functioned our Supreme Court, with John Marshall as Chief Justice. You have not far to go to visit the grave of Benjamin Franklin, on Arch Street; and the grave of Commodore Barry in the little churchyard by the side of St. Mary's. Concerning Franklin the French Minister Turgot coined the famous epigram: "He snatched the lightning from the sky and the sceptre from the hands of tyrants" ("Eripuit coelo fulmen sceptrumque tyrannis"). Commodore Barry was the first man whom Washing-

ton appointed to the American Navy; he was also the first man in our country to whom the British Navy struck its flag in surrender.

There are two things connected with Philadelphia that, to me, seem surprising. One is that it has not to a far greater extent become the shrine for patriotic pilgrimages from all over the United States, and particularly on the part of our school children. For there is nothing better calculated to arouse and foster patriotism than a visit to the venerable monuments of the birth of our nation. The other surprising thing is how the citizens of Philadelphia acquiesced in the political jobbery by which they were deprived of the Capital.

It is not stated in the textbooks taught in our schools, but, among other places, you will find it in Senator Beveridge's "Life of Chief Justice Marshall" that, after the triumph of the American colonies over the British crown, Thomas Jefferson and his followers were in favor of repudiating American public and private debts owed to England and the Continent of Europe. Hamilton, the leader of the Federal party, entrusted with the finance of the new nation, perceived that this repudiation would undermine the credit of our country. Knowing that Jefferson and the Virginians wished the transfer of the Capital to their State, he entered into a compromise and bargain, according to which the Capital would be transferred from Philadelphia to Virginia, provided Jefferson and his followers yielded in the question of debt repudiation.

It is idle to speculate what would now be the prestige and importance of Philadelphia throughout the world, if she had not been robbed of the Capital.

But in spite of this blow, she is today the "Workshop of the World." She enjoys unparalleled accessibility to coal, iron, cement, and other raw materials. Every year she produces two billion dollars worth of manufactured goods. Here we have the greatest ship building, the greatest street car, industries in America. Baldwin's locomotives, made here, are sent to all parts of the world. This is the centre of the textile production of our country. Philadelphia supplies the United States and many foreign countries with carpet, cotton goods, hats, hosiery, glazed kid, saws, storage batteries, dental instruments and various other articles of common use.

I trust that, before you leave, you will visit Fairmount Park, and especially that section of it known as the Wissahickon Drive. Not the Bois de Boulogne of Paris, nor the Tiergarten of Berlin, nor the great park of Vienna, nor the various squares of London, nor Central Park of New York, can compare in size and beauty with even a single section of Fairmount Park, Philadelphia.

It was Benjamin Franklin who founded the University of Pennsylvania; and ever since his day this city has been pre-eminent in medicine, dentistry and law.

These are but a few of the salient points in the history and present status of our city, to which it is a pleasure to welcome you. We deem it an honor that you have come to us for this convention; and we feel confident that, having once seen the city, you will be glad to return to it.

The Honorable Mayor of this city presides over two million inhabitants, almost half the population of Belgium; and at least half the population of Ireland. He presides over a city that has no tenement houses, no slums, no Ghettoes; a city of homes, where each family has a house that, according to the old English proverb, is its own castle. In this city we are glad to remain true to the traditions of our forefathers, and to accept the Constitution as here drafted and adopted. We repudiate subversion of authority and a change in the structure of our Government.

The gentleman whom I have the honor to introduce is a symbol of this loyalty to constituted authority and also the symbol of authority itself. It is a pleasure for me to present to you His Honor, W. Freeland Kendrick, Mayor of Philadelphia.

ADDRESS OF HONORABLE W. FREELAND KENDRICK MAYOR OF PHILADELPHIA

Your Eminence, Ladies and Gentlemen: As Chief Executive of the great City of Philadelphia, I am indeed honored and pleased to come to you tonight and extend a cordial welcome to our city. As I listened to His Eminence draw a picture of the historic past, the wonderful present, and the glowing future of Philadelphia, my native city, I believe that I was more proud of Philadelphia, perhaps, than ever before. I have never heard Philadelphia presented as beautifully to an audience of visitors to our city as has been done on this stage here tonight, and I want to thank His Eminence and assure him of the appreciation of the two million people who live here in peace and happiness, and whom I have the honor to represent.

I sincerely trust that the visiting delegates and the friends who have accompanied them to Philadelphia will visit many of these historic shrines which have been enumerated here tonight, and I trust that you will carry away from Philadelphia, the City of Brotherly Love, a correct impression, and a kindly feeling, and that Philadelphia will have proved sufficiently attractive to you to bring you back within our gates very soon again.

Let me congratulate the ladies assembled here in connection with this sixth biennial celebration or convention of the Alumnae of your colleges and schools. It means a greater influence for good, not only in this City, but in all of the cities and the States that you represent. It is indeed an American spirit which brings us together, to know and understand each other better, and to carry back home ideas which perhaps have grown, have been born in your minds, as a result of this delightful contact that you will have in your convention.

Philadelphia bids you welcome, thrice welcome, to the workshop of the world, and after you have visited some of these historic shrines I am confident that you will realize more fully the hardships and sacrifices that were made by the fathers of our country, by those noble men and women of one hundred and fifty years ago.

In this City less than a month ago a celebration took place of great importance. It was the two hundredth anniversary of the foundation of the Carpenters' Company, and the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the First Continental Congress. A most attractive and impressive military pageant passed down past the old Independence Hall, and immediately after the parade entered Carpenters' Hall. There again was the picture of one hundred and fifty years ago. In costume, men of today put on the play as it appeared at the meeting of that Congress when George Washington of Virginia as almost a stranger to his American brethren. He, representing Virginia at the first Congress, had little to say, and as the various statesmen and patriots left the floor of old Congress Hall that day they were attracted to the figure and the personality of the one who was representing Virginia. One delegate said to the other "Who is the handsome young man who stands there in silence?" The answer was "That is George Washington of Virginia, who has offered to equip a thousand troops at his own expense, and march towards the city of Boston."

It is such events as that in the early history of our country that we love to hear told over and over again in old Philadelphia, because this City has retained its Americanism, and just such conventions and just such ladies of culture as are here tonight, are the type that will perpetuate those old historic productions which will bring out that which is best in all of us.

Therefore, as Mayor of the City, I bid you thrice welcome, and as a citizen of Philadelphia, I am honored and pleased to be the executive to convey this heartfelt and cordial welcome and greeting.

ADDRESS OF MISS T. FLORENCE CLOSE GOVERNOR OF THE PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

A Greeting to the Sister Alumnae of the World:

Affiliated with the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, the members of the Pennsylvania Chapter give their ardent greeting of welcome to this Sixth Biennial Convention, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-four, in the City of Philadelphia.

The precedent already established in the Conventions of this organization has been such, in character and achievement, as to preclude even the most friendly rivalry. Your presence among us is our incentive to make this week here with us of happy and enduring memory; if, in the eternal fitness of things we may strike some distinguishing note that will give us a place among the Conventions, we will be indeed, content.

Warmth and lavishness of hospitality you have already known, and helpful comradeship, and stimulating contact of ideas and ideals; we may only hope to offer you these again in no meagre share. The "Setting" alone is new, and you will find it richly endowed with resources that will satisfy your every mood, for not many sections of the country, indeed of the world, offer so many and such diversified allurements.

We have combined our energies, our wits, our hearts and our imaginations to arrange for you a program that will be interesting and varied; you shall enjoy the exceedingly gracious hospitality of our beautiful churches, schools and colleges; history at its source will be shown you in the many famous landmarks. You shall visit the "Playground of America, Atlantic City," where on one side of

the Boardwalk flits folly, vanity and pleasure and on the other, the ocean, with its eternal ebb and flow.

But, after, all, the decisive events of the world take place in the intellect, and therefore, the occasion is ours to make of it what we will. We know that "the race of delight is short, and pleasures have mutable faces," hence we must strive for some definite achievement, some impetus towards that growth of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae that must, through the grace of God, be its destiny and its reward. Only then may we feel that we have justified your coming from far places to be our guests,—only then may we play our rôle of hostess with something of the merit implied in the title, "Welcome again, most welcome!"

PRESIDENT'S RESPONSE TO GREETINGS AT RECEPTION MRS. HARRY M. BENZINGER

Your Eminence, Your Grace, Your Lordship, Your Honor, Right Reverend Director, Madame Co-Founder, Madame Governor, Right Reverend Monsignori, Reverend Fathers, Officers and Members of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, I wish to express our thanks for the cordial welcome which we have met in Philadelphia.

To His Eminence, the Cardinal Archbishop, we are most grateful for the interest he has shown in the work of preparation. To the message with which he so graciously bade us welcome, he has just added words of encouragement and inspiration that will serve as the keynote of the Convention, and dwell in our memory in the days to come.

It is with pleasure, rather than with surprise, that I listen to the words of welcome from the Governor of the Pennsylvania Chapter, and from His Honor the Mayor of this great City. All the members of our Federation are familiar with the name of Philadelphia which is a synonym of hospitality. They think of the City by the Schuylkill,—not merely as a popular center and as the main source of influence in the Keystone State, but also as a meeting place, where all those who are devoted to the highest ideals find a cordial welcome.

We appreciate the greetings of the Governor of Pennsylvania, and we are grateful to His Honor, the Mayor, who has made us feel at home in Philadelphia. We do not marvel at the civic pride manifested by the dwellers "in no mean city," for it is quite evident to us that whoever comes here must regret the necessity of going away, and must preserve in memory, only pleasing recollections of a City that is quietly active, and in its activity influential upon a great commonwealth.

I, therefore, in the name of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, most heartily thank the Governor of Pennsylvania, and His Honor, the Mayor, for the words of welcome.

We feel assured that everything will be done to make our Convention a success, and we are certain that the example set by Philadelphia will stir to emulation any other City which may be selected for our biennial gathering.

We look forward with pleasure to the words of counsel which His Grace, the Archbishop of Baltimore, will speak to us tomorrow, and we acknowledge with gratitude the kindly interest which has been manifested by the Right Reverend Bishop Shahan in the work of our Federation. To our own Dr. Pace our hearts go out in affection and appreciation for all he has done for us.

Under the guidance of the Hierarchy, the Federation will strive in the measure of its opportunity, to promote the cause of Catholic Education, Catholic Literature and Catholic Social Service. Our efforts will not be confined to any one locality or any one section. We shall strive for the benefit of all, and thus justify our title as a Catholic Federation.

PRESENTATION OF PAINTING OF SEAL OF THE FEDERATION

At the close of the President's Address, the curtains at the rear of the stage were drawn aside, revealing a beautiful reproduction of the emblem of the Federation, the work of Sister Saint Luke of the Sisters of St. Joseph's, Mt. St. Joseph's College, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia. As the audience stood, Madame Josephine Lucchese, of the San Carlo Opera Company, sang the "Ave Maria" of Gounod. Miss T. Florence Close, Governor, presented the painting in the name of the Pennsylvania Chapter, and the President, Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, graciously accepted it on behalf of the Federation.

SERMON BY HIS GRACE, THE MOST REVEREND
MICHAEL J. CURLEY, D.D.,
ARCHBISHOP OF BALTIMORE

PONTIFICAL MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL OF SS. PETER AND PAUL
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1924

Your Eminence, Right Reverend and Reverend Fathers and dearly beloved:
The Church of Jesus Christ received her commission directly from the lips of her Divine Founder. It was a commission to teach. "All power is given to her in heaven and on earth; going, therefore, teach all nations." She was made the depository, the dispenser and the safe-guarding agency of truth.

In the divinely-enlightened mind of the Church as in a storehouse, were gathered together the life-giving principles once taught by the Son of God made man as He traveled among men during the three years of His public life. He had come "to give testimony of the truth." It became the Church's duty to continue His mission of teaching and soul-saving, to be the dispenser of God's mysteries, a projection of Jesus Christ down the centuries, to speak in His name and with His authority, "As the Father hath sent Me, I send you." "Behold, I am with you all days, even to the end of time." "He that heareth you, heareth Me."

Teacher Of Divine Revelation.

The subject matter that came within the immediate and direct province of the Church as a divinely-commissioned teacher was divine revelation. Those sacred truths spoken by the Savior Himself by lake shore and on mountain side dealing with God, the soul, eternity, rewards and punishments, His Divine Providence, the new powers conferred on man for man's spiritual good, the Sacraments, the Church's own constitution, were to be handed down intact from generation to generation without shadow of change because stamped as eternally true by the God of Truth.

To safeguard that sacred deposit, to carry out in an efficient manner her precious trust, the Church realized from her cradle days that she must take an active interest even in secular teaching. By means of faulty pedagogical methods, of distorted notions in the field of secular science, of misrepresentation of events of history, of false philosophy, men endeavored to slur divine revelation, to close the human mind to all thought of God, of man's purpose on earth, of real values; in a word, to defeat the Divine design of the Incarnation, the life, death and resurrection and the whole teachings of Jesus Christ.

Her Interest In Education.

The Church's interest, therefore, in the work of education flows directly from her Divine commission. It was evoked by her determination to take adequate means to do fully and completely what she was sent to do. She knew the soul of man; she never lost sight of God's purpose in man's creation; she knew the craving of man's mind for truth; she was aware of the need to first implant truth in the intellect—and to then guide the will of man in accordance therewith.

Her record in the field of education ever since she came forth in fervor from catacombial gloom, from under the dark, blood-dripping cloud of imperial persecution forms one of the brightest pages in the history of human achievements and is synonymous with civilization's growth.

Her Work For Education.

If there is a love for learning today, if the classics are thumbed by the youth of our age, if universities and schools are held in respect, if once barbarous nations have become refined in morals and mentality, if true science has still its many devotees, all that and more must be traced to the preaching and educational work of the spotless spouse of Jesus Christ—the Church. She dotted the hillsides of Europe with universities, and as a rule, wherever her spires were met with, there were also her houses of learning. That story should be known to every Catholic. It is an inspiring one indeed, and if proof were needed, it can be furnished in abundance to convince men that the Church always was and is today the friend of education; in fact, she was the sole mother and fosterer of it during centuries.

Here in America he who runs may read the story of the Church's achievements in the education of her children. Her ratio agendi is here what it was in Europe in the years long since passed.

Education In America.

The Church that founded the Universities of Paris, Oxford and Rome urged the building of the Catholic University of America, and blessed every other Cath-

olic university, college and school in this broad land. Sacrifices had to be made, but none was too great, none too deterring when it was a question of giving the children of the faith an education, all-round and complete, demanded by the very nature of the child's soul, by the end of the child's creation, by education's real purpose, character formation, exacted, let me say, by private and public good, by temporal and eternal interests. Here in America the Church was no stranger. Her mind was ever in harmony with the people's aspirations to freedom and at the same time was fully cognizant of the need of religion in and permeating education if liberty was not to be lost in license, if law was not to be negated and made futile by violation, if government was not to be destroyed by radicalism begotten of forgetfulness of the saving principles of Jesus Christ.

Our Catholic Alumnae.

You, beloved members of the Federation, are the product. The output of the Church's schools. You were trained head and heart. Second to none is that system of secular education you received at the hands, for the most part, of religious women whose whole lives are dedicated to Christian education; but it never was purely secular. Had it been, it would have been defective. In it and through it, actuating and permeating it, giving it life, was religion resulting in the training of all the full complement of the soul's faculties.

By that education you have been prepared for complete living. You have been taught to "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's." You have been saved from the cold, blighting forces of mere secularism, from the soul-searing influence of doubt and infidelity, twin products of a godless system of education. You know your duties to God, yourselves and your fellow-man, and as a result of your training you know how binding is your obligation to serve your country at all times, giving to her a service that is unselfish and pure, far removed from the corruption that we find even in high places in many lands.

Organization Needed.

For years you were scattered, unorganized throughout the nation. I might say that the thought of bringing you together in a federation was an inspired one. In union there is strength, and in your particular case there is the strength of a great organization of educated Catholic women who have before them, spurring them on to service, the noble ideals of Catholic education, literature and social service not in any general way, but with in view the promotion of the welfare of God's Church and consequently of our beloved country. The good you can accomplish knows no limit. It appears in time and stretches far into eternity.

In your organization you have numbers, but your increasing membership will not necessarily make for success. Neither will success crown in this particular field your activities looked at merely as activities. If really efficient service is to be rendered by the Federation of Catholic Alumnae, the individual members and the organization as a whole must cultivate a Catholic spirit, must find its strength, its driving power in that spirit which alone can give supernatural value to the organization's activities and at the same time render them productive of

The Catholic Spirit—Faith!

What is this much-desired Catholic spirit? In what does it consist? How does it differ from other motives that today arouse enthusiasm for education, literature and social welfare?

The basic element in the Catholic spirit is Faith. Faith is the gift of God by which we give intellectual assent to truths above reason's grasp on the authority of God. Our Faith, our knowledge revealed to us by Jesus Christ in and through His Church, gives us a form for the proper valuing of life's facts, its needs, its possibilities. We must measure them, not simply from the viewpoint of human happiness, philanthropy, social progress, natural good or world betterment, but primarily from the viewpoint of God's Providence, His Divine purpose in man's creation, the true value of an immortal soul. Secularism, therefore, that would fain limit our vision to earth's horizon, giving no consideration to God's place in His own world, and none to a future life, of which this life is but a brief prelude, is for us with Faith, false and destructive wherever applied, and particularly so in the field of education, literature and social service.

Religion Is Necessary.

The child has a soul with faculties that need training, but such as are never reached by the three "R's." The exclusion of religion from our educational system argues blindness to pressing psychological and pedagogical needs, a complete disregard for the real purpose of the child's being, and results in a character formation that is at once defective and dangerous. Your organization—one of Catholic Alumnae—must never lose sight of life's real values made evident to

you by your Faith. Your work must be to bring about such forms of education and social activities as are in keeping with God's ordering of human affairs.

This Catholic spirit so essential to the success of your work calls for in each one of you a deep, personal love of Jesus Christ; a love that means more than an admiration for the great human qualities of the Savior. It must spring from Faith in Christ's Divinity, from a realization of His infinite love for each one of us.

Union with Jesus Christ by living to the best of your ability His life through the Sacramental channels of Grace is best calculated to beget that personal love of Him that will spur us on to greater effort in every cause dear to His Sacred Heart. "If any man love Me, he will keep My word." Love of Jesus Christ to be true must prove itself by action; it will produce lives worthy of His true followers. Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, silent, Divine Friend in countless tabernacles, should be the magnet that draws to closer union and greater love every member of this Alumnae Federation.

Loyalty To Christ's Church.

The Catholic spirit entails essential loyalty to the Church of Jesus Christ, not because of her marvelous world-wide organization, not because of her storied greatness and achievements through the ages, not because of the far-famed figures of saints and martyrs who have shed lustre on the Faith, but precisely because she is the mouthpiece of the God-man, speaking in His name and with His authority; she perpetuates Christ through the ages.

Your loyalty to your Church means obedience to the Church's commandments and directions. It means "thinking with the Church." It means a readiness to correct false notions about her, to defend her from the attacks of her enemies. It means courage in the Faith, making no apologies for it, never stooping to compromise in anything that has to do with Catholic principle.

Devotion To Mary Immaculate.

There can be no true exemplification of the Catholic spirit where there is not a profound love of the Immaculate Mother of Christ. In you, dearly beloved Alumnae, love of our Blessed Lady means love of purity. It calls for your condemnation of all that offends in modern life—be it in dress, social intercourse or amusements—the ideals pictured to us by God's Church in her who was "purer than foam on central ocean tossed." Women the world over need today more perhaps than ever to look to Mary, "our tainted nature's solitary boast," to imitate her virtues and thus to ameliorate present-day conditions resulting from a growing materialism and an increasing indifference to all the great realities of the supernatural world.

Charity Must Rule.

Finally, the Catholic spirit is non-existent in any organization in which Charity does not actuate and give tone to the actions, the planning, the discussions of the members.

Selfishness, desire for personal glory, jealousy of another's success, all that is foreign to the Catholic spirit. In a word, the Catholic spirit, which you must cultivate in order to make your efforts in the field of Catholic endeavor successful, is the spirit of Jesus Christ—Faith in Him and love for Him showing itself in your lives and works; loyalty to His Church, devotion to Heaven's Queen, charity in and through all you do. It must be kept alive by prayer, constant, fervent prayer, now at the time of your annual convention and all through the year as you bend forward to carry into life's needy places that contribution you can make for the world's spiritual betterment as graduates of Catholic colleges and high schools.

America Needs Their Example.

With that spirit firing the souls of thousands of Catholic women organized as you are, there is nothing you cannot accomplish for God and souls. America needs your example and your work. "Suffer the little ones to come unto Me." That cry of the Heart of Christ is heard today as plainly as it was when spoken twenty centuries ago. Much have you done and much more can you and must you do to aid in begetting Christ in the hearts of little ones by means of Christian education.

The poison of vile literature, much of it veiled pornography, is spreading with deadly effect over our land, searing souls. You Catholic women must set your faces against it, doing all in your power to cultivate a taste for clean and instructive reading. The field of Catholic Charity is broad indeed. There is a place in it for every one of you. In God's Name, therefore, go forth, eager, active, restless to accomplish great things for Jesus Christ and His Church. You can render no finer service to our country than by serving the cause of Christian education, of Christian social service, of good literature. God keep you and prosper you always.

OPENING SESSION SIXTH BIENNIAL CONVENTION

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1924

The President, Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, Presiding.

The President: Your Eminence, The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae is gathered here in the City of Philadelphia, and it is our desire to have the blessing of God upon our deliberations. I would therefore ask Your Eminence to open our Convention by invoking divine assistance upon our Federation as a whole, upon its officers and its individual members.

INVOCATION

His Eminence, D. Cardinal Dougherty

"Come, Holy Ghost, Creator, come,
From Thy Bright Heavenly throne;
Come take possession of our souls,
And make them all Thine own.
Thou who art called the paraclete
Best gift of God above;
The living spring, the living fire,
Sweet unction and true love.
Thou, Who are sevenfold in Thy grace
Finger of God's right hand
His promise, teaching little ones
To speak and understand.
Oh! guide our minds with Thy blest light
With love our hearts inflame
And with Thy strength which ne'er decays
Confirm our mortal frame.
Far from us drive our hellish foe,
True peace unto us bring;
And through all perils lead us safe
Beneath Thy sacred wing,
Through Thee, may we the Father know,
Through Thee, the eternal Son,
And Thee, the spirit of them both—
Thrice-blessed three in one.
All glory to the Father be,
And to His risen Son,
The like to Thee, great Paraclete,
While endless ages run." Amen.

THE PRESIDENT: Education in which we are all so thoroughly interested consists largely of the training of the mind, and as a consequence, the exact and scientific study of the mind is one of the great factors in education. For more than thirty years, quietly, unobtrusively, a man who has been, during all that period, professor of psychology at the Catholic University of America, has exercised an immeasurable influence through his lectures and through his writings in the higher departments of the world of learning. It has been our good fortune to have had him as our director from the very inception of our organization. His recognized standing in the intellectual world would, alone, have brought high prestige to the Federation of Catholic Alumnae, but, in the fulfillment of his office, he has added those personal qualities of sympathy with our object and devotion to our interests that have doubly endeared him to us and have made us his debtor in manifold ways. It is with heartfelt expression of gratitude and with the deepest appreciation of his generosity and goodness to us, as well as with recognition of the high honor that is ours in having him for our guide and friend, that I present our Right Reverend Director, Monsignor Pace.

ADDRESS—RIGHT REVEREND MONSIGNOR EDWARD A. PACE, DIRECTOR

It is a matter of common observation that nature, in her greatest works, proceeds with a majestic slowness. The sun does not spring into full splendor from the horizon. There is, first, the dawn, and then the spreading rays, and finally the full orb, the star of day. So it is in the realm of living things. There is, first, the bud, then a partial unfolding, and finally the full blown rose.

So it is in the works of art. There is a prelude to the overture before the grand strains of the symphony.

There is a great deal of nature in Philadelphia. There was an opening of these proceedings here last Thursday evening. There was another opening Friday morning, another on Saturday morning. Saturday evening we came here, the first rays spreading above the horizon. Yesterday forenoon we had the knowledge of Philadelphia imparted to us by those who best knew, the best authorities on the subject, and that prepared us for the glories of yesterday in the Cathedral, and then through the avenues of the city, and through the places that lie beyond the city and the splendid pageant in the later afternoon.

Consequently, this convention has had no single opening. It has been opened at least a half dozen times, and if we speak of this as the opening session, it is only to adopt and follow the customary form of words.

I would like to go back this morning, in retrospect, ten years to the beginning of the Federation. We pass through Louisville, and from there we go to that quiet spot on the lake, Chicago, and then we return to the East, Baltimore, then to the tropic zone of St. Louis, back to the Northeast. Louisville, Boston, St. Louis, Baltimore, Chicago—it is a chromatic scale, ascending, and now, in Philadelphia, the grand octave.

While we have been organizing our Federation and striving for its several aims, the world at large has passed through a decade which, in many respects, in the most remarkable in the history of mankind. During those ten years the world has felt the agony of conflict, has in part recovered from the effects of an unparalleled struggle, and it is now seeking in various directions, and by all conceivable means, an era of peace and of reconstruction.

This story has been told over and over again. Its meaning has been pointed out more than once in our own convention since 1914, but it seems to me at the opening of this convention in all ways appropriate to show what the significance of this Federation is for our country, for our countries, and for the world at large.

The aims of our Federation are not peculiar to us. Many other associations of men and of women have been organized to further the causes of education, of literature and of social service. If then there was ground and justification for the formation of any other body like this, there must be certain distinctive marks about our organization which should serve for our guidance.

One characteristic of the world's movement since the declaration of peace has been the conversion of the sword into the plow share, of the engines of destruction into instruments of human welfare. In no previous period has the genius of man produced such notable results as in the past decade. Not that the great discoveries are so numerous, but that each marks a new era in mankind's history.

The means of transportation, the means of communication, the means of production have been transformed in that decade. Only within the last few days a ship that six years ago would have brought death to thousands of people came through the air across the sea upon an errand of peace and conciliation, and that is typical of hundreds of other minor events which are taking place almost daily throughout the world.

Is there any relation between the aims of this Federation and this return of the peoples to concord? The question can be answered in a very few words. Namely, all the ingenuity of man will not restore the nation to harmony unless the spirit of Christ animates their purposes and directs their actions, and the Federation of Catholic Alumnae is formed with that end in view, namely, to make men realize the necessity of Christian principles, and of the law of Christ if the world is to live again.

Another characteristic of the past decade is the spirit of organization. I don't think that in any country of the world or in any age this spirit has produced such marvelous results.

It would seem, at least, that whatever has been the wisdom, the ability, the force of the individual, there are certain high aims which can be accomplished only through the co-operation of many in our own country here and all the countries that we count in our Federation. The value of organization seems to have been fairly tested in the United States alone. Associations, almost without number, have come into existence since 1914. Their purposes are not the same. Their means of operation are different, but they all agree in this, in the principle that to accomplish things in our age many minds and many wills must be bound together in a determined resolve to accomplish the aim that is selected, and the question again arises, "Now, what relation does this Federation send to all this organized activity in our country, and in all the countries of the world?"

The answer is not difficult. We are organized, but the spirit of our organiza-

tion comes to us from the Catholic Church. The meaning of that spirit was eloquently explained in the Cathedral yesterday, and it is sufficient now to call it to mind in relation with these other movements which are going on in all parts of the world.

Let it be understood that this Federation is in hearty sympathy with every effort and with every movement that tends to give better education, better literature and better social service, but it is our firm belief that these sacred ideas can best be realized where the Catholic spirit animates those who are striving for them.

In no decade has the power of women been more manifest than in that which closes this year. It would seem that with the return of peace a special opportunity was afforded to women in all countries of the world to put forth their energy, their zeal for the betterment of mankind. Here again details are not necessary. We are all familiar with the organization which has been established, having in view the promotion of the cause of women.

What now is the relation between this Federation of Catholic Alumnae and all those movements which aim at giving women a wider scope for her energies and activities.

The members of this Federation or convention, that woman, with the special gift bestowed on her by the Creator, can accomplish the highest and the best by exemplifying in her life those qualities, those virtues of which the Mother of Christ is the model and fairest exemplifier. For that reason do we look up to her as the patron of Christian life, the patroness and the guide of every member of this Federation, and under her auspices we intend that this convention shall hold its several sessions.

Thus, in many ways, the work that we are undertaking goes out beyond the limits of our own personality, beyond the confines of our own Alumnae Associations, and beyond the frontiers of the several States to which we belong, and passes out beyond all those to become nation-wide, and then beyond the boundaries of the several nations to become world-wide, so that the movement which was started in New York ten years ago has expanded in many directions, and with that expansion has come a larger view of our possibilities, of our opportunities—I might also say of our duties as a Federation.

From these different points of view I desire at the close to select one to offer it to you for your consideration during the convention and during the years that must intervene before we assemble again. That thought is this: "I, as an Alumnae of a Catholic school or college or university, cannot, must not live to myself alone. As the Federation has expanded, so, in due proportion, must my view, my aim widen out. I must realize that I am a member of my own Alumnae Association, first of all, and through that, of my chapter, and through that, of the Federation. I must also realize that my effort, whether I see the results or not with my own eyes, if I do them rightly, they spread for the good of mankind, for the glory of the Catholic Church, and in homage and reverence to Him who has given the Church her mission upon earth."

THE PRESIDENT: Ten years ago at the call of Mrs. James J. Sheeran and Miss Clare I. Cogan of St. Joseph's College, Emmitsburg, Maryland, this Federation was organized. To these noble women we owe a debt of love and gratitude which we shall never be able to repay. We look back with gratitude to the beginning of the Federation and we follow with justifiable pride the careers of its founders. One of these has followed the call to a higher life, but has by no means lost sight of the purposes which inspired her in inaugurating this great work. You will be pleased to hear the interpretation of our motto from one who has devoted herself to the realization of its meaning—Clare I. Cogan, now Sister Mary de Paul Cogan.

PRO DEO ET DOCTRINA

SISTER MARY DE PAUL COGAN, O.S.D., CO-FOUNDER I. F. C. A.

A birthday party has charms—when it is some one else's birthday—and no questions asked. It is indeed a real delight to celebrate with you the tenth anniversary of the Federation. I suppose, in some ways, organizations are born and develop much like human beings—and Shakespeare's ages of man probably are paralleled in the life of a society.

If this be true, the Federation may be said to have passed through the periods

of infancy and childhood, and to be entering upon maturity, ready to grapple with the work, the sufferings, the disappointments, the successes, and the failures, that state implies.

Ten years ago, we stood on a hillside and visualized an organization that would comprise not only the Americas—but all Europe as well.. To-day, I ask you to use the strength of limb which the years have given to ascend the topmost point and from there gaze upon a world whose limits are God—not man-made.

In other words, I would give the Federation a task almost of creation. Grow, develop, expand, I would say, not only through existing and functioning Alumnae Associations, but via organizations we have not only brought into being, but whose membership we have brought into the Church. I would construe our motto thus—**To God Through Education**. An indifferent Latinist, I fearlessly rush into translation where scholars might hesitate!

The future of Church and State in every land, putting aside for the moment the Divine Authority from which all earthly power takes form and substance, depends in a large measure upon the education the youth of today receives. We of the Federation realize this somewhat as acute situations arise in our different countries. It is equally true of such distant lands as China, Korea, Japan, India, that for centuries sleeping a sleep almost of death have at last turned in their slumbers and awakened to the tremendous possibilities of their resources in men and material, and cry for an education that will make them world leaders. According to Catholic teaching, we are our brother's keeper. Will we then offer them the proverbial stone—a mere training of intellect and muscle? Thinking men agree that Godless education is a bane, not a blessing. In America, we have but too sad an exhibition of the human Frankenstein's this system turns out! But with religious discord that exists outside the Church what can be offered our own or the stranger to offset this very real evil? To us of the Household, the answer is simple—Catholic Education. But the remedy unless applied is as effective as a doctor's prescription untouched by pharmacist.

We who stand as champions of truth have a glorious trail to blaze if we but grasp the opportunity. A sower goes out to sow his seed—but if he hopes for a good harvest, he prepares the field in advance, and he will take further precautions to protect the growing fruit. The Church, like the sower, not alone plants the seeds of Faith, she anticipates the trails of the seedlings and nourishes and supports their growth. The Catholic School plays a large part in her season of cultivation. Here in America, we have seen her, as a result of her educational system, fill seminaries and convents, chairs of state and learning, courts of law and justice, with her products. But even so, have we enough schools? It is true that in our largest cities almost every Church has one. But where is the Bishop who does not feel the need of schools and teachers for his outpost? Baltimore's Archbishop is now campaigning in favor of his Eastern Shore missions. The Cardinal Archbishop of Philadelphia has mission problems located not distant from his metropolitan see. And every head of the tremendous dioceses of the south and west sees defection in the ranks of his people, work crippled, effort paralyzed, the sphere of activity narrowed, because of a sad inability to provide an educational program that will not only strengthen the Faith of the flock, but will reach out and instruct those outside the Fold.

In a more distant field—not foreign in a sense as something alien to us, for all the Church's problems are family matters of intimate concern wherever they may lay geographically—in deepest Asia and darkest Africa, like problems face the missionary at every turn.

In the East, there is a veritable craze among young pagans for an education—especially one that embraces the study of the English tongue, for this is the door through which ambitious youth may enter into positions in banks and railways. America, with the vast capital she has invested "over there" stands to the Oriental for great commercial activity, big business, success, wealth, and luxury. And to the materialistic mind such is the end of existence. A conclusion not confined to the pagan. "Made in America"—be the brand good or bad—it is accepted and imitated.

Behind the demand of the Eastern intelligentsia for a modern western education stand the governments of the lands. China, so long satisfied with her age-worn system of memory culture, now has an educational board formed after the manner of the Japanese, which in turn is founded on the American system. As soon as a semblance of peace descends upon Cathay, this board will undoubtedly require that the high standards it has already set, be met by all schools. In Japan-controlled Korea, the calm of existence has been disturbed by the government's demand for standardization. At the present moment, Catholic America's first and only missionaries to Korea—Maryknollers all—are facing the proposition of raising the standards of the schools they have but recently fallen heir to, with

a leeway of twelve months in which to do it, and on an income of almost nothing a year. Japan is already far in the lead educationally. India is fast awakening to its importance.

While we talk about the abolition of war, and discuss protective treaties, big leagues, world courts, and a universal brotherhood, whole nations, representing hundreds of millions of people, are coming into political power, without even having heard of the Eternal Fatherhood and Divine Brotherhood in whom alone true union can be established.

This is America's day in the Orient. How will Catholic America spend it? The peace of the world, the happiness of nations, the spread of the Kingdom of God, hangs on our decision. According to the Council of Baltimore, there is but one way to secure a religious people, and that is to give the youth a religious training. We can tip the scale against paganism, against the wealthy forces of Error, as represented by Protestantism, if we add to the sacrifices of the missionaries and our own prayers, a fund sufficient to finance first class schools in which the students may enjoy all that is best in Western secular education—and at the same time learn of Him who is the Christ of the Nations, the Prince of Peace.

For the schools themselves, no elaborate and costly edifices are needed, but simple structures, sanitary, commodious, well lighted and ventilated, and properly equipped. The cost of such structures ranges from five hundred dollars for an elementary school in a village to two thousand dollars for a town school. After the initial expense a few hundred dollars a year covers the upkeep. Of course, high schools and colleges require larger sums. In China alone, we find Protestant higher schools built and supported by Oxford, Cambridge, Harvard, Yale, Oberlin, Smith, Wellesley, Princeton, the Universities of Pennsylvania and Chicago, and many others.

It is interesting to note that it is easier to find men and women grateful for the privilege of carrying Christ to the heathen than it is to secure funds to properly finance their undertaking. These young people must not be sent campaigning without equipment. If the world is to be won to the Sacred Heart there must be means first by which it will be taught of the existence of that Heart, of Its goodness, Its love. A missionary from China recently declared—"We priests make the converts, the Sisters make the Catholics." His intent was to stress the importance of the educational work in grounding the people in the Doctrine.

This has been called the mission age. The encyclicals of popes, councils, and prelates, the cry of parish priests, missionaries, and sisters, give testimony of the needs of the times and the part the laity must play in spreading the Faith through personal service and monetary offerings. Catholic America was slow getting into action, but since the foundation of her Catholic Foreign Mission Seminary, thirteen years ago, many sons and daughters of her different religious orders have entered the mission field. Surely the past holds wonderful examples of self sacrifice for us to imitate and emulate. A Francis Xavier had the Court of Portugal behind him. A Vincent de Paul found a Queen glad to sell her jewels so as to be able to participate in his work of strengthening the Faith through education in the Provinces, and when he would push on with the Cross to the outposts, there were nobles—knights and ladies—who sacrificed the trappings of state that the enterprise might not fail through lack of support. While America as a mission country was accepting European help, the Protestants forged ahead, not only into the pagan fields already mentioned, but into Catholic Italy, Spain, France, and the countries of South America. Here in Philadelphia, at this present time, the Protestant Episcopal women are sacrificing their jewels to increase a fund for the rebuilding of their devastated churches in Japan. Are we to stand idle, to shirk the task of spreading the Truth that as Catholic educated women would seem to be preëminently ours?

The dreams of youth often seem to be clear visions. The high school boys and girls, the college men and women, strong in the Faith that is theirs, convinced that it is the rightful heritage of every child of Adam, regardless of race, color, clime—have already heeded the call to arms—have already a strong organization whose aim it is to "sell the Faith," to make it known on the highways and in the by-paths. I refer to the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade. By active propaganda the missions, home and afar, are made known and aided materially through the generous sacrifices of time, energy, and money of America's Catholic Students.

Long ago it was said—"A little Child shall lead them," and many people were too proud to follow Him, even though the Child were God. Today, I believe the young people have shown us a way marked out by Christ Himself, when standing upon Mt. Olivet, ready to ascend into His Kingdom, and feeling the unspoken demand of His followers for His final instruction—He made answer—

"Going, teach ye all nations." Let us not be too proud, too parochial despite our international title, too uncatholic despite the mark of universality of the Church, to take the lead of the "little ones."

We figure upon an access in individual membership through graduation of some three thousand girls annually. These girls already fired with mission zeal, already trained to some degree in work of the lay apostolate, come out of school and find no social organization ready to carry on with them. Efficiency alone demands that we provide an outlet for this wonderful energy, enthusiasm, and idealism of theirs: efficiency alone demands that we make an effort not only to interest them in what we consider our work, but that we interest ourselves in theirs: efficiency alone demands that we make answer to the burning question—"After the Crusade—What?" And behind this modern catchword of efficiency stands Christ on the plains of Sichar. His eyes rest on the waving cornfields, which to His Divine Vision typifies the fields of the world, and He murmurs, a trifle wearily perhaps for long years have passed since first He spoke, "Lift up your eyes and see the countries for they are white already for harvest."

The question is constantly being asked—"What is the Federation doing"? With rightful pride, we point out our stand on dress reform, enunciated some eight years ago, and but now being taken up by other Catholic Societies. We tell of our really fine work in Braille—bringing the gift of light to the blind. We speak of the splendid support each Alumnae Unit is giving the cause of education through its own Alma Mater. But the Federation, as I see it, is bigger than any one or all these activities. Why does she not in addition to these works adopt something commensurate with her power? Take upon her shoulders some one of the great tasks of the Church—as the spread of the Faith? I would suggest, therefore, that we incorporate in our program mission activities. That we appoint a mission board, that we line up our members for active mission propaganda, that we consider seriously the question of demand and supply for Catholic education, Catholic teachers. I believe that no bishop should have to do more than turn to his local Federation Circle for help—be it monetary or personal service—in his mission needs. I believe that our missionaries in foreign fields have a right to turn to us for inspiration, encouragement, help. I believe that in a mission program the Federation will find an outlet for activity that will cause no factions in the society. I believe that in adopting such a course the Federation will add another right to the title Pioneer. I believe that in so doing, Mary, Our Lady of the Federation, will be presented to the world as Our Lady of Light in the fullest sense, and that the prophesy of Pennsylvania's State Hymn will be fulfilled.

Heart and hand we pledge thee, Lady
Every one an eager Knight
Lady of the Federation
Shield us in thy scept'ed might.
Love shall be immortal crowning
All our hopes fly up to thee:
Lady of the Federation
Queen of every land and sea.

Lady of the Federation
Hearts shall be thy gracious throne,
By the golden chain of pray'r
Bind them closer to thy own!
One great circled chain of clients
Spanning all God's joyous world,
Lady of the Federation
Keep thy standard pure unfurl'd.

It would be a happy chance, if some day I find myself in an Alumnae High School or Federation College out on our far flung mission line. I promise under either condition to form an Alumnae Association and to affiliate it with our International Federation of Catholic Alumnae.

If I seem to stress foreign missions, it is not from any lack of knowledge of, sympathy with, or appreciation for the home needs. But the mind of the Church expressed by such men as Cardinal Manning, Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop Dowling, Bishop Muldoon, Bishop Allen, is that the home land benefits directly through generosity to the foreign missions. It is the Biblical promise of bread returning upon the waters.

Helping thus to win the world to God, the Federation will advance into old age mellow with good works, and pass on to receive the commendation of Him

who has said—"Suffer the little children to come unto Me," and again, "Verily . . . so long as you have done it to the least of these My brethren, you have done it unto Me."

THE PRESIDENT: One of the objects of the Federation is to further development and prosperity of Catholic Education. We are always delighted with the exposition of a theory, but it is a still greater pleasure to hear words of wisdom dictated by practical experience. At the present time especially, it is important to emphasize the service that our schools are rendering to the nation. We hold that a real democracy must be based on those moral and religious principles which are embodied in Catholic Education. It will, therefore, be a pleasure for us to hear from the Superintendent of Schools of this great Archdiocese, in answer to the question, "Are Catholic Schools Undemocratic?" I take pleasure in introducing the Reverend Joseph M. O'Hara.

"ARE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS UNDEMOCRATIC?"

REVEREND JOSEPH M. O'HARA, SUPERINTENDENT OF
PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS OF PHILADELPHIA

Some little time since I saw an advertisement whose title immediately arrested my attention. Perhaps its author intended some such eventuality. Ad writers often do intend to arrest the readers' attention.

The title was "Good-bye, little red school house."

I remember when such an abrupt farewell to the little red school house would almost have constituted in the minds of many a misapprehension of a fundamental truth. I can remember as a boy sensing vaguely, but none the less certainly, the feeling that my playmates of a faith other than mine in attendance at a public school had for me, who attended a parish school, they mirroring, of course, their parents, and they seemed to feel sure that they were in possession of the land; that they were right and solely right and all others tolerated.

I note this as a fact, not as a complaint. I can assure you that neither myself nor my school fellows at the parish school ever developed an inferiority complex either in our faith or in our schooling. We felt sure that in addition to our catechism we could do most things as well as any of our boy neighbors.

However, in many quarters, the public school system, symbolized by a building, at once ruddy and contracted, was regarded as the palladium of our liberty, and the outcome of our political faith.

Nowadays we do not so much believe in little schools of any shade of color.

We found them too little, poorly equipped, and often unsanitary, so the cry now is for better and large buildings, even though it be yellow or brown or even green. Hence the farewell of the advertisement, which went on, that your feminine curiosity might not suffer too much, to tell of the splendor, the beauty and the inherent strength of some sort of tires to put on the wheels of the busses that should convey the rising generation to the 14,000 Consolidated schools.

Ever so often there is a movement in our country of protest against existing institutions, a movement more or less successfully concealing its essential bigotry under the cry or slogan, "America has heard the cry 'America for the Americans.' Catholics have a divided allegiance. Hurrah for the little red school house," and they are careful to add that in our day the private and parochial schools of whatever denomination are in the nature of things undemocratic.

Words, I suppose, are like coins. We use them and feel them, but in use they at length lose their sharpness of inscription, their clearness of outline, and become mere discs. So with words. With the large use of a term it loses its clearness of meaning, and circulates like an old coin. Men are constantly using words whose meaning is too vaguely determined in their own minds and begets no clear image in the mind of their hearers.

The term democracy, or democratic, is a case in point. We Americans constantly use those words, but how many of us can get limits to their signification. To some, "democratic" connotes the sum total of virtues that make for good fellowship—kindliness, forbearance, generosity.

How often do we hear, "He is very democratic. He has lots of money, but you would never know it. He is just like one of ourselves."

To many "democracy" signifies a state of things where the bulk of men are very happy, prosperous, not overtaxed.

Certainly a democracy should look to those things, but its essence is not in them. Brice says, "The word 'democracy' has been used ever since the time of

Herodotus, to denote that form of government in which the ruling power in a state is legally vested not in any particular class or classes, but in the members of the community."

"This means in communities which are ruled by voting that that rule belongs to the majority, that no other method has been found for determining peaceably and legally what is to be deemed the will of the community that is not unanimous.

"Usage has made this the accepted sense of the term, and usage is the safest guide in the employment of words."

That is from "Modern Democracies," Volume 1, page 20.

Practically, then, here in America democracy means that the majority of the qualified voters who are not too careless or indifferent to vote rule the country. I speak of voters too careless and indifferent to use their privilege of suffrage. Their name is legion. At the last important election for the Presidency only 53 per cent. of the voters turned out to the polls, and in this Presidential year, strenuous and picturesque efforts are being made by the ladies to get the citizens to vote—any ticket, so long as they vote.

We have here a democracy, despite the cry sometimes heard that rich and powerful corporations up and down the land are favored as against the interests of the multitude, despite the cry that it is a rich man's country.

I say, despite all facts, a wonderful adventure in democracy has been essayed, and with no small measure of success.

In our beloved America moreover, by the Nineteenth Amendment to the Constitution, there was made, I am sure you will all agree, a noble attempt and a step forward towards a pure democracy.

No one who has made a study of it can do other than gladly admit that our Federal Constitution is wrought in wisdom. It was struck off at a time when the country consisted of thirteen small states, only one of which had a population exceeding 5,000; states that had recently been colonies, with a population largely agricultural, with no great cities, and with great simplicity of life and manners.

That document, the Constitution of the United States, essentially unaltered, still remains a mighty bulwark against all efforts upon our liberties, when we have grown to be forty-eight states, with a population of over 110,000,000, dwelling to a considerable degree in cities with a highly complex life, with more than half our people engaged in manufacturing, mining and commerce.

What a portent this has, and what a solution, for it is true today, as of the many dead yesterdays of history, that the individual is of himself powerless against wealth, unscrupulous and organized. Even in a democracy the rule of the majority can become a great tyranny if there is no check.

The fathers of the Constitution, then, wrought well when they parcelled out the function of government into legislative, executive and judicial, so that the supreme rule might not rest in the hands of any one man, or too long or unchecked in the hands of many. Almost every clause of our Constitution has in back of it the deliberate thought of checking the vaulting ambition of any man or group of men who should conceive the desire of lording it over their fellow men.

This is splendidly summed up in "Experiments in Government, and the Essentials of the Constitution," where it says:

"The peculiar and essential qualities of a government established by a constitution are its representation. It recognizes the liberty of the individual citizen as distinguished from the total mass of citizens, and it protects that liberty by specific limitations upon the power of government. It distributes the legislative, executive and judicial powers into three separate departments and specifically limits the powers of the officers in each department. It makes the observance of its limitation necessary to the validity of laws, to be adjudged by the courts of law in each concrete action, as it arises."

The Founders of our Government remembered well the words of the immortal declaration, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that amongst these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; that to secure those rights governments are instituted deriving their powers from the consent of the governed."

You will pardon me, dear Alumnae, for thus recounting what is well known to you graduates of our Catholic schools, but it hurts none of us carefully to review the wise provisions of our fundamental bill of rights, the Constitution, and we Philadelphians are rather proud that we have here Independence Hall where the Declaration of Independence was signed by the members of the Second Continental Congress, and where the Constitution of the United States was drawn up by the Constitutional Convention of 1787.

You will remember that when the majority in the sovereign State of Idaho

decided that all children between the ages of 6 and 16 years must attend the public schools, that the Federal Courts cast out this law as against the liberties of classes and individuals, and hence unconstitutional.

That rebuke to bigotry was made possible by the admirable fair-mindedness and wise foresight of the men of 1787, to whom be honor and praise.

Our Constitution safeguards for all liberty, civil, religious, and political. It guarantees civil liberty; namely, that we shall be unmolested in person and in property. It safeguards our liberty and conscience; namely, that we shall be unmolested in serving God accordingly as our enlightened minds bid us serve God. It saves our political liberty; namely, that all of us shall have our share in the government of the community.

Those are of the essence of our democracy. Now, how, in any conceivable way, does the parish school infringe on all or any of these, our fundamental rights?

Have Catholics, graduates of Catholic schools, ever attempted, even the most remotely, to gain control or legalize for others the control of our neighbor's person or property? Have Catholics ever attempted to legislate for the consciousness of non-Catholics, or attempted to deny them freedom of worship?

The veriest tyro in American history knows it was Catholic Lord Baltimore who first attempted in America a colony that should give to all men the widest freedom of worship.

It was only after the control of Lord Baltimore's colony had fallen into the hands of non-Catholics, it was only then, that religious persecution began there.

Again, has it ever been heard that Catholics wished to limit the voting power of any man because of difference of religion, or attempted to make any religious test for public office?

I wish I could present a clean bill of health in all these particulars to the opponents of Catholicity.

But some will say, "The objection is this; namely, that parochial schools of their very nature are begetting a class distinction, because they separate very large groups from the common representatives of the community, as represented in the public schools."

In reply we may well ask, "What constitutes the public school's norm of child life in America? Certainly not the Constitution, which knew nothing about it and never for an instant attempted to take education out of private control. So far as the subject came within the purview of our country's fathers it was something best left for the sovereign states and not for the Federal Government to take thought concerning.

Historically, and for a longer period of our history, all schools were religious. During the Colonial era, and for nearly a century after the revolution, the religious idea predominated in education, secondary, as well as elementary.

It is only since the early 50's here in America that the school without religion has had its widest growth.

Nor, is there lacking the feeling and the expressed conviction in many quarters up and down the land that there should be a return to the religious schools of our forebears, and this not merely for the good of the individual child, but for the safety of our common country.

Men of many shades of religious opinion are alarmed at juvenile criminality, at the widespread lawlessness of our day, at the manifest contempt for constituted authority. Some do not hesitate to say that the public schools—not intentionally, of course—are robbing the children of their birthright, the knowledge and fear of God.

These criticisms are not voiced by Catholics particularly, but by many of various shades of religious belief, and they frequently form the subject of editorial comment in publications making no profession of religion.

In the meanwhile we deny any claim on the part of the public school to be inherently the normal American method of education. Our Catholic schools have been here from the beginning of our history, and have long since justified themselves, politically and patriotically. They do not permit peoples to consider themselves a race apart. We Catholics, products of our schools, are not requiring from a "nation we considered damned," and making no effort towards its amelioration. We do not form a political party, nor do we unite in either of the great political parties of our day. Some Catholics are Republicans, some Democrats, and some vote as the candidate for either party pleases them. Their religion does in no way unite them along political lines. They vote as individuals. Every thoughtful man knows there can be too much standardization in education, to the destruction of individuality. We all know the most highly standardized thing in America here today, is certain popular make of automobiles. We all know what it can do, and we know a few things that it cannot

do. We can also predict rather certainly when it is going to collapse. God forbid that our Catholic or our non-Catholic children shall ever be subject to a state wide standardization, crushing their initiative and their individuality.

For initiative and individuality are of tremendous importance in a democracy, perhaps of far greater importance in a democracy than under any other form of government.

There can likewise be too much state control, to the destruction of individual liberty.

There have been states where a central power directed those activities. In classical times there was Spartan training, producing a splendid fighting machine without a soul, brother to the ox.

In our own day there was Prussianism. "Sparta has left no literature, no architecture, and no sculpture, and only recently the whole world united against Prussianism. It may well be that some day a debt of gratitude will be due and rendered to our Catholic schools insofar as they shall have kept a moiety, at least, of our population free from state paternalism. Certainly the tendency today is more and more a centralization of power. The state sovereignty is, in the attempt at least, being undermined.

The latest projected amendment to the constitution would grant to the Federal Government the power to lay down in the various states conditions for child labor. All of us hate the cruel, selfish, exploitation of little children, but many of us fear to give further encouragement to the centralizing tendency, and further power to what might become a bureaucracy, deciding every least detail of our lives.

Let States do their duty in the matter of child labor, as doubtless they will. Let them do their duty in the matter of the education of their people, affording to those who are not attending private schools the opportunity of the fundamentals, at least, of an education.

There is an old proverb of the Arab in the desert, who invited his camel to put his head into the tent. The camel, nothing loath, did so, and in a little while, by easy stages brought his whole body into the tent, and finding it crowded, kicked out the owner.

To you, as well as myself, I am sure that it seems incredible that the democracy of the Church should be called in question. We have no heredity offices in the church, and the humblest priests, by virtue and talent may rise to the highest post in the Church. Peasants have become popes. The poorest and littlest men and women have been raised to the extreme honor in the Church, that of Saint-hood.

"By their fruits you shall know them," is the test for schools as well as for individuals. Our schools teach the children their duties and their privileges and their rights as citizens of this great country.

The National Catholic Welfare Conference has been at pains to have a report of the National Civic Board translated into all, or nearly all, the modern languages and distribute it to every one of the parents of our parish school children. We teach our children obedience to constituted authority, recognizing that the power obtained over us came from Him from whom all authority comes. We teach our children patriotism as a religious duty, and not as a mere sentiment.

It cannot be shown that Catholics, products of our Catholic schools, colleges and academies, are anything else but brave citizens in time of war and good neighbors in time of peace.

Mere knowledge does not of itself constitute good citizenship. A trained mind and a skilled hand are good, but in a democracy the will to do is better. A democracy can conceivably get along with men who have no education, but it absolutely and always needs men of character.

Our schools form men of character, the highest character, based on the fear and love of God, accompanied by love of neighbor and, in imitation of the God-man, the outstanding, noblest character of all times, Christ Jesus, the Lord.

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 D—A—
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 D—A—
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 D—A—
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 D—A—
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 D—A—
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Frankfort—The Good Shepherd School A. A., 50, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.
D— A—
Lexington—St. Catherine's A. A., 50, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.
D—Miss Blanche Gormley. A—
*Loretto—Loretto A. A., 128, Sisters of Loretto.
D—Mrs. Bernard Asman. A—
Louisville—Academy of the Sacred Heart A. A., 68, Ursuline Nuns.
D—Mrs. V. K. Ecker. A—Miss Ethel Deiss.
Louisville—Holy Rosary A. A., 68, Dominican Sisters.
D— A—
Louisville—Our Lady of Mercy A. A., 60, Sisters of Mercy.
D—Mrs. Joseph D. Baldez. A—Miss Lillian E. McNulty.
Louisville—Presentation A. A., 100, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.
D—Miss Ruth K. Donnelly. A—
Louisville—Ursuline A. A., 48, Ursuline Nuns.
D—Miss Olivia B. Schwartz. A—
Louisville—Nazareth College A. A., 6, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.
D—Miss Jeanne F. Bulliet. A—
*Nazareth—Nazareth Academy A. A., 200, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.
D—Mrs. M. M. Manton. A—Mrs. Catherine Cavanaugh Elder.
Newport—Academy of Notre Dame of Providence A. A., 100, Sisters of Divine Providence.
D—Miss Anne G. Erpenbeck. A—Miss Irma Depenbrock.
Newport—Immaculata Academy A. A., 40, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.
D— A—
Owensboro—St. Francis Academy A. A., 53, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.
D— A—
Paducah—St. Mary's A. A., 85, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.
D— A—
St. Catherine's P. O., St. Catherine's of Sienna, 75, Dominican Sisters.
D—Mrs. L. B. Hardesty. A—Miss Phoebe Harris.
St. Joseph's—Mt. St. Joseph's A. A., 130, Ursuline Sisters.
D— A—
St. Vincent—St. Vincent's A. A., 75, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.
D—Miss Mary Delker. A—Miss Mary B. Pike.

LOUISIANA.

New Orleans—St. Joseph's School A. A., 100, Sisters of Charity.
D— A—

New Orleans—Ursuline A. A., 150, Ursuline Nuns.

D— A—

*New Orleans—Rosary Sacred Heart A. A., 185, Ladies of the Sacred Heart.

D— A—

*Shreveport—St. Vincent's College A. A., 35, Daughters of the Cross.

D— A—

MAINE.

Bangor—St. Xavier's High School A. A., 75, Sisters of Mercy.

D— A—

MARYLAND.

*Baltimore—St. Martin's A. A., 131, Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

D—Mrs. Joseph P. Neer. A—Mrs. J. W. Toohey.

*Baltimore—Mt. St. Agnes A. A., 165, Sisters of Mercy.

D—Mrs. Frank P. Scrivener. A—Mrs. Jack Holloway.

*Baltimore—Institute of Notre Dame A. A., 165, Sisters of Notre Dame.

D—Mrs. Mary E. May. A—

*Baltimore—St. John's Academy A. A., 165, Sisters of Charity.

D—Miss Teresa Fitzpatrick. A—

*Baltimore—Baltimore Academy of the Visitation A. A., 285, Visitation Nuns.

D—Miss Leonora B. Seager. A—Miss Margaret Brady.

Baltimore—St. Catherine's A. A., 86, Sisters of the Holy Cross.

D—Mrs. Edward H. Burke. A—Mrs. T. A. Donahue.

Baltimore—Immaculate Conception A. A., 100, Sisters of Charity.

D—Mrs. Agatha McGrath. A—Mrs. John Everhart.

*Baltimore—Notre Dame of Maryland, 148, Sisters of Notre Dame.

D—Miss Marie C. Hebner. A—Miss Elsie M. Dee.

Bryantown—Notre Dame A. A., 45, School Sisters of Notre Dame.

D— A—

Catonsville—Mt. de Sales A. A., 279, Visitation Nuns.

D—Mrs. A. B. McElroy. A—

Cumberland—Ursuline A. A., 55, Ursuline Sisters.

D—Mrs. John Mulcahy. A—

Emmitsburg—St. Joseph's College A. A., 326, Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

D—Mrs. James J. Sheeran. A—Mrs. Robert Paul.

*Frederick—Visitation A. A., 150, Visitation Sisters, B.V.M.

D—Miss Beatrice Rang. A—Miss Pauline Diffendall.

Leonardtown—St. Mary's Academy A. A., 75, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.

D—Mrs. Leonard B. Johnson. A—Miss Agnes Mattingly.

Ridgely—St. Gertrude's A. A., 50, Benedictine Sisters.

D—Miss Agnes Boyles. A—

MASSACHUSETTS.

Arlington Heights—Marycliff A. A., 45, Religious of Christian Education.

D—Miss Rose M. O'Brien. A—

*Boston—Notre Dame Academy Roxbury A. A., 250, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D—Miss Mary Merrigan. A—Mrs. James T. Phelan.

*Boston—Fenway Notre Dame Academy A. A., 250, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D—Mrs. Margaret Henry Maguire. A—Mrs. Thomas A. Dolan.

Boston—St. Peter and Paul High School A. A., 85, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D— A—

Boston—Sacred Heart A. A., 175, Religious of the Sacred Heart.

D—Miss Mollie Fallon. A—Mrs. Mathew F. Sheehan.

*Brighton—Mt. St. Joseph A. A., 150, Sisters of St. Joseph.

D—Mrs. Helen M. Ryan. A—

Chicopee—Our Lady of the Elms A. A., 50, Sisters of St. Joseph.

D— A—

East Boston—Filton High School A. A., 300, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D— A—

Lowell—Notre Dame Academy A. A., 250, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D—Mrs. John F. Saunders. A—Mrs. R. F. Sheehan.

Peabody—Notre Dame A. A., 100, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D—Miss Elizabeth Flynn. A—

Watertown—Sacred Heart A. A., 50, Sisters of St. Dominic.

D—Miss Mary Keefe. A—

Wellesley Hills—Academy of Our Lady of the Assumption A. A., 50, Sisters of Charity.

D—Mrs. Walter J. Whelen.

A—Mrs. J. Frank Rourke.

Woburn—St. Charles Notre Dame A. A., 100, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D—Miss Anna C. Powers.

A—

MICHIGAN.

Adrian—St. Joseph's A. A., 304, Sisters of St. Dominic.

D—Miss Mary Brennan.

A—Miss Margaret Dillon.

*Detroit—Academy of the Sacred Heart A. A., 172, Ladies of the Sacred Heart.

D—Mrs. Ernest O'Brien.

A—

Grand Rapids—Mt. Mercy A. A., 40, Sisters of Mercy.

D—

A—

Jackson—St. Mary's A. A., 100, Sisters of Charity.

D—

A—

*Monroe—St. Mary's Academy and College A. A., 415, Sisters Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

D—Mrs. Robert M. Powell.

A—

Nazareth—Nazareth Academy A. A., 95, Sisters of St. Joseph.

D—Mrs. Eugene C. Winburn.

A—

*Sault Ste Marie—Loretto A. A. of Our Lady of Victory, 30, Ladies of Loretto.

D—Mrs. Charles L. Bruce.

A—

St. Ignace—Our Lady of the Straits A. A., 35, Ursuline Nuns.

D—Mrs. R. E. Danaher.

A—

MINNESOTA.

Minneapolis—St. Anthony's High School A. A., 100, Sisters of St. Joseph.

D—

A—

Minneapolis—St. Margaret's and Holy Angels A. A., 75, Sisters of St. Joseph of Cardonelet.

D—Miss Regina A. Vincent.

A—

St. Joseph's—St. Benedict's Academy A. A., 180, Benedictine Sisters.

D—

A—

St. Paul—Derham Hall A. A., 61, Sisters of St. Joseph.

D—

A—

*St. Paul—Visitation Academy A. A., 205, Sisters of the Visitation, B.V.M.

*St. Paul—St. Joseph's A. A., 112, Sisters of St. Joseph of Cardonelet.

MISSISSIPPI.

Biloxi—Sacred Heart A. A., 28, Sisters of Mercy.

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A—

Canton—Sacred Heart A. A., 9, Sisters of Mercy, Vicksburg.

D—

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Chatawa—Notre Dame A. A., 145, School Sisters of Notre Dame.

D—

A—

Greenville—St. Rose of Lima A. A., 50, Sisters of Mercy.

D—

A—

Gulfport—St. Francis de Sales A. A., 17, Sisters of Mercy.

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A—

Hattiesburg—St. Francis Xavier's A. A., 6, Sisters of Mercy.

D—

A—

Jackson—St. Joseph's A. A., 13, Sisters of Mercy.

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A—

McComb—St. Alphonsus A. A., 44, Sisters of Mercy.

D—

A—

Meridian—St. Aloysius A. A., 77, Sisters of Mercy.

D—

A—

Natchez—St. Joseph's A. A., 130, Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

D—Mrs. Louis Kaiser.

A—

Pass Christian—St. Joseph's A. A., 22, Sisters of Mercy.

D—

A—

Vicksburg—St. Francis A. A., 271, Sisters of Mercy.

D—

A—

Yazoo City—St. Clara's A. A., 25, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.

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MISSOURI.

Arcadia—Arcadia College A. A., 65, Ursuline Nuns.

D—Mrs. Louis E. Printy.

A—

Chillicothe—St. Joseph's A. A., 70, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—A—
 *Hannibal—St. Joseph's A. A., 100, Sisters of St. Joseph of Cardonelet.
 D—A—
 Joplin Academy of Our Lady of Mercy A. A., 30, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—A—
 *Kansas City—St. Aloysius Academy A. A., 50, Sisters of Charity, B.V.M.
 D—A—
 *Kansas City—Loretto A. A., 55, Sisters of Loretto at the Foot of the Cross.
 D—Mrs. Zella Crowe. A—Miss Marion Geisel.
 Kansas City—St. Agnes A. A., 75, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—Miss S. J. Corrigan. A—
 *Kansas City—St. Teresa's Academy A. A., 100, Sisters of St. Joseph of
 Cardonelet.
 D—Mrs. George F. Noonan. A—
 Kansas City—St. Vincent's Academy, 83, Sisters of Charity of B.V.M.
 D—A—
 St. Charles—Sacred Heart A. A., 100, Ladies of the Sacred Heart.
 D—Mrs. John Scherrer. A—
 St. Joseph—Sacred Heart A. A., 188, Religious of the Sacred Heart.
 D—A—
 *St. Louis—Loretto A. A., 100, Sisters of Loretto at the Foot of the Cross.
 D—Miss Teresa Wangler. A—
 *St. Louis—Maryville Sacred Heart A. A., 360, Ladies of the Sacred Heart.
 D—Mrs. Joseph C. Darst. A—
 St. Louis—St. Mark's High School A. A., 83, Sisters of St. Dominic.
 D—Miss Mary Charlotte Smith. A—
 *St. Louis—Rosati Kain High School A. A., 309, Sisters of St. Joseph and
 Sisters of Notre Dame.
 D—A—
 St. Louis—St. Alphonsus A. A., 84, School Sisters of Notre Dame.
 D—Mrs. Margaret B. Sickles. A—
 *St. Louis—St. Elizabeth's A. A., 250, Sisters of the Precious Blood.
 D—Mrs. Frances Jacobi O'Merra. A—
 *St. Louis—Ursuline A. A., 140, Ursuline Nuns.
 D—A—
 *St. Louis—St. Joseph's A. A., 161, Sisters of St. Joseph of Cardonelet.
 D—A—
 *St. Louis—Visitation Academy A. A., 300, Sisters of the Visitation, B.V.M.
 D—Miss Annie B. Bowen. A—Mrs. Vol Turner.
 St. Louis—St. Vincent's Seminary A. A., 95, Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent
 de Paul.
 D—Miss Alice M. Gorry. A—
 Springfield—Mt. de Chantal Academy, 67, Visitation, B.V.M.
 D—Mrs. Hilary W. Lucke. A—

NEBRASKA.

Columbus—St. Francis A. A., 209, Poor Sisters of St. Francis Seraph.
 D—Mrs. C. F. Daugherty. A—
 Falls City—Sacred Heart A. A., 55, Ursuline Nuns.
 D—A—
 *Hastings—Immaculate Conception Academy A. A., 40, Sisters of St.
 Dominic.
 D—Sister M. Dolores. A—
 Jackson—St. Catherine's Academy A. A., 100, Dominican Sisters of Sinsinawa,
 Wis.
 D—A—
 North Platte—St. Patrick's A. A., 17, Ursuline Nuns.
 D—Miss Catherine Fitzpatrick. A—
 Omaha—Academy of the Sisters of Mercy A. A.
 D—Miss Veronica M. O'Conner. A—
 Omaha—Du Chesne College and Convent of the Sacred Heart, Religious of
 the Sacred Heart.
 D—A—
 Omaha—Sacred Heart High School A. A., 228, Sisters of St. Dominic of
 Sinsinawa.
 D—Miss Mary McGrath. A—
 O'Neill—St. Mary's A. A., 235, Sisters of St. Francis.
 D—Miss Anna L. O'Donnell. A—

Spalding—Spalding Academy, 65, Dominican Sisters.
 D—Sister M. Bernard, O.S.D. A—
 Sidney—St. Patrick's A. A., 25, Ursuline Nuns.
 D—Miss Nora Fitzgerald. A—
 York—St. Ursula's Academy and Junior College A. A., 47, Ursuline Nuns.
 D— A—

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Dover—Sacred Heart A. A., 100, Sisters of Mercy.
 D— A—
 *Hookset—Mt. St. Mary's A. A., 95, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—Mrs. Hugh E. Ross. A—
 Manchester—L'Association des Anciennes Eleves de Jesus Marie, 100,
 Religieuses de Jesus Marie.
 D— A—

NEW JERSEY.

*Convent Station—St. Elizabeth's Academy A. A., 100, Sisters of Charity.
 D—Mrs. Daniel F. Cunningham. A—
 Convent Station—St. Elizabeth's College A. A., Sisters of Charity.
 D—Miss Katherine McLaughlin. A—Miss Lucille O'Connor.
 Elizabeth—Benedictine Academy A. A., 21, Benedictine Sisters.
 D— A—
 *Hoboken—Academy of the Sacred Heart A. A., 95, Sisters of Charity.
 D—Miss Mary A. Delaney. A—Miss A. C. McHale.
 Jersey City—Mt. Aloysius Academy, 175, Sisters of Charity.
 D—Mrs. Leo S. Harney. A—
 *Newark—St. Vincent's A.A., 100, Sisters of Charity.
 D—Miss Esther V. Conlon. A—
 *Plainfield—Mt. St. Mary's A. A., 200, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—Miss Julia Blake. A—
 South Orange—Rosemount Hall A. A., 40, Catholic Secular Teachers.
 D—Miss Evelyn M. O'Keefe. A—

NEW MEXICO.

Santa Fe—Loretto A. A., 30, Sisters of Loretto.
 D— A—

NEW YORK.

Albany—Sacred Heart A. A., 200, Religious of the Sacred Heart.
 D—Mrs. Charles Egan. A—Miss Ethel M. Delehanty.
 Albany—Academy of the Holy Names, 175, Religious of the Holy Names.
 D— A—
 *Bedford Park—Mt. St. Ursula A. A., 68, Ursuline Nuns.
 D—Mrs. Helen Rotheroe. A—Mrs. R. G. Auspitzer.
 *Brentwood—St. Joseph's Academy A. A., 355, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Mrs. John J. Barry. A—Mrs. Frederick Merritt.
 Brooklyn—Nativity Alumnae, 250, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D— A—
 *Brooklyn—St. Francis Xavier's A. A., 225, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Mrs. R. McLearn. A—
 Brooklyn—St. James A. A., 290, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D— A—
 *Brooklyn—St. Agnes Academy A. A., 200, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Miss Anna Newman. A—
 Brooklyn—St. Joseph's College A. A., 14, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Miss Regina Munz. A—
 *Brooklyn—St. Augustine's Academy A. A., 16.
 D— A—
 Brooklyn—St. Savior's High School A. A., 40, Sisters of Notre Dame.
 D— A—
 Brooklyn—Verena Star of the Sea A. A., Sisters of Charity.
 *Brooklyn—St. Angela's Hall A. A., 226, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Miss Isabel D. Hall. A—Mrs. Charles E. Burke.
 *Brooklyn—Visitation A. A., 340, Sisters of the Visitation, B.V.M.
 D—Miss Lillian Harrison. A—Miss Mary V. Canfield.
 *Buffalo—D'Youville College A. A., 151, Grey Nuns of the Cross.
 D—Mrs. W. C. Sterne. A—
 Buffalo—Mt. Mercy Academy, 56, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—Mother Mary Borgia. A—Sister Mary Scholastica.

Buffalo—Holy Angels Academy A. A., Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart.
 D—Miss Margaret McGowan. A—
 Buffalo—Canisius College A. A., 108, Jesuits.
 D—A—
 Buffalo—Mary Immaculate A. A., 54, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—A—
 Buffalo—Mt. St. Joseph's High School A. A., Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Miss Loretta W. Ryan. A—Miss Helen M. Ryan.
 Buffalo—Academy of the Sacred Heart, 293, Sisters of St. Francis.
 D—Miss Mary E. Keiran. A—Sister Mary Paula.
 *Buffalo—Miss Nardin's Academy, 308.
 D—Miss Lillian Biden. A—
 Buffalo—St. Mary's Seminary A. A., 67, Sisters of Mary of Namur.
 D—Miss Helen Bingham. A—
 Newburgh—Mt. St. Mary's Academy A. A., 50, Dominican Sisters.
 D—Mrs. Joseph Hart. A—
 Highland Falls—Ladycliffe A. A., Missionary Sisters of Third Order of St. Francis.
 D—Mrs. Julia Fisher. A—
 Middletown—Ursuline Academy of the Sacred Heart A. A., Ursuline Nuns.
 D—A—
 *New Rochelle—St. Angela's A. A., 150, Ursuline Nuns.
 D—Miss Anna L. McDevitt. A—
 *New Rochelle—Ursuline A. A. of New Rochelle, 176, Ursuline Nuns.
 D—Miss Catherine M. Wynne. A—
 New York City—St. Catherine's A. A., 158, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—A—
 New York City—College of Mt. St. Vincent's on the Hudson, 300, Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.
 D—Mrs. Theodore Madden. A—Mrs. Bernard Reardon.
 New York City—Manhattanville Sacred Heart A. A., Religious of the Sacred Heart.
 D—Mrs. George H. Bradford. A—Mrs. Edgar J. Tracy.
 New York City—Cathedral High School A. A., 100, Sisters of Charity.
 D—A—
 New York City—Holy Child A. A., 100, Sisters of the Holy Child.
 D—Miss Sara E. Morris. A—
 *New York City—St. Mary's Alumnae, 45, Sisters of Charity.
 D—A—
 *New York City—St. Gabriel's Academy A. A., 100, Sisters of Charity.
 D—Mrs. M. A. Cunningham. A—Mrs. Justin Carey.
 New York City—Holy Cross Academy A. A., 100, Sisters of Charity.
 D—Mrs. Antonio Gonzalez. A—
 New York City—Maplehurst Sacred Heart A. A., 100, Religious of the Sacred Heart.
 D—Mrs. John William Kehoe. A—Miss Helen Cary.
 New York City—Madison Avenue Sacred Heart A. A., 100, Religious of the Sacred Heart.
 D—Mrs. Jose M. Ferrer. A—Mrs. Maurice J. O'Callaghan.
 New York City—Blessed Sacrament Academy, 75, Sisters of Charity.
 D—Miss May Canavan. A—
 *Plattsburg—D'Youville Academy A. A., Grey Nuns of the Cross.
 D—A—
 Rochester—Sacred Heart Alumnae, 147, Religious of the Sacred Heart.
 D—Miss Celia Yawman. A—Mrs. William T. Bassett.
 Rochester—Nazareth A. A., 1,300, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Miss Nan Cleary. A—
 Suffern—Academy of the Holy Child A. A., 60, Sisters of the Holy Child.
 D—Miss Eleanor Clark. A—
 Utica—Utica Catholic High School, 85, Sisters of Charity.
 D—A—
 Staten Island—Notre Dame A. A., 100, Sisters of Notre Dame of Montreal.
 D—A—
 Stella Niagara—Seminary of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, 74, Sisters of St. Francis.
 D—Miss Dolores M. Zimmerman. A—Miss Colette M. Hendricks.
 Tarrytown—Marymount A. A., 10, Sisters of Sacred Heart of Mary.
 D—Miss Estelle M. Canavan. A—Miss Florence Hardart.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Asheville—St. Genevieve of the Pines A. A., 60, Sisters of Christian Education.

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OHIO.

*Canton—Immaculate Conception A. A., 197, Sisters of the Holy Humility of Mary.

D—Miss Nellie A. Brinckloe.

A—Miss Beatrice De Corps.

Cincinnati—Notre Dame Academy A. A., 81, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D—

A—

Cincinnati—Mercy A. A., 100, Sisters of Mercy.

D—Miss Loretta Budde.

A—Miss Vera Oker.

Cincinnati—St. Ursula's A. A., 65, Ursuline Nuns.

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A—

Cincinnati—Our Lady's Summit A. A., 121, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D—Mrs. Walter J. Herschede.

A—Mrs. Frank X. Pnud.

*Cincinnati—Sacred Heart College A. A., 185, Religious of the Sacred Heart.

D—Mrs. Howard Ferris.

A—Mrs. Martin H. Schmidt.

Cincinnati—Springer Institute, 50, Sisters of Charity.

D—

A—

Cleveland—St. Agnes High School A. A., 66, Sisters of St. Joseph.

D—Miss Frances Schmoldt.

A—

Cleveland—Notre Dame A. A., 142, Sisters of Notre Dame.

D—Miss Josephine Pitts.

A—

Cleveland—St. Joseph's Academy A. A., 45, Sisters of St. Joseph.

D—Mrs. Thomas Harrison.

A—

Cleveland—Catholic Girls High School, 65, Catholic Diocesan Sisters of Cleveland.

D—

A—

Cleveland—Ursuline A. A., 284, Ursuline Nuns.

D—Mrs. Samuel J. McNally.

A—Mrs. William Plunkett.

Cleveland—Our Lady of Lourdes A. A., 119, Sisters of the Holy Humility of Mary.

D—Mrs. Franklin M. Quinn.

A—

Cleveland—Holy Name School Alumnae, 75, Sisters of Charity.

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Columbus—St. Mary's of the Springs A. A., 285, Dominican Sisters.

D—Mrs. Lydia Hanley Esterline.

A—

*Dayton—Notre Dame Academy A. A., 215, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D—Mrs. Frank Hahne.

A—

*Mt. St. Joseph's—Mt. St. Vincent A. A., 541, Sisters of Charity.

D—Miss Ada Hummel.

A—

New Lexington—St. Aloysius A. A., 269, Sisters of St. Francis.

D—Miss Katherine Johnson.

A—Miss Ruth M. Finneran.

Reading—Mt. Notre Dame A. A., 200, Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur.

D—Mrs. Frank J. Wenstrup.

A—Mrs. Henry Luers.

St. Martin—Brown County Ursuline A. A.

D—Mrs. Denver Williams.

A—Mrs. G. Wickam.

Tiffin—Ursuline A. A., 242, Ursuline Nuns.

D—Miss Alma Wagner.

A—

*Toledo—Notre Dame A. A., 300, Sisters of Notre Dame.

D—

A—

*Toledo—St. Ursula's A. A., 300, Ursuline Nuns.

D—Mrs. Joseph Gallagher.

A—

Youngstown—Ursuline A. A., 25, Ursuline Nuns.

D—

A—

OKLOHAMA.

Muskogee—Nazareth Academy, 25, Sisters of St. Joseph.

D—

A—

OREGON.

Portland—St. Mary's A. A., 70, Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary.

D—

A—

PENNSYLVANIA.

Conshohocken—St. Mathew's A. A., 100, Sisters of St. Joseph.

D—Mrs. P. J. Carroll.

A—Mrs. Thomas F. McCoy.

*Cresson—Mt. Aloysius A. A., 118, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—Mrs. John F. Horstman. A—Mrs. R. P. Weldon.
 Erie—St. Benedict's A. A., 90, Sisters of St. Benedict.
 D—A—
 Greensburg—Seton Hill Academy A. A., 280, Mother Seton Sisters of
 Charity.
 D—Miss Katherine Maher. A—
 Greensburg—Seton Hill College A. A., 37, Mother Seton Sisters of Charity.
 D—Mrs. Marie Dunlevy Winter. A—Mrs. Grace Sweeny Munhall.
 *Lancaster—Holy Cross Sacred Heart Academy A. A., 104, Sisters of the
 Holy Cross.
 D—Miss Mary Warfel. A—Miss Florence C. Yeager.
 *Latrobe—St. Xavier's Academy A. A., 71, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—Miss Elizabeth Kuehn. A—Miss Roma Ferrard.
 *McSherrystown—St. Joseph's Academy A. A., 99, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Miss Irene Miller. A—Mrs. Henry R. Granger.
 *Philadelphia—Notre Dame de Namur A. A., 210, Sisters of Notre Dame de
 Namur.
 D—Miss Irene Bradford. A—Miss Frances McManus.
 Philadelphia—Catholic Girls High School, 1,510, Sisters of St. Joseph, Sisters
 of the Immaculate Heart, Sisters of the Holy Child, Sisters of Mercy and
 Sisters of St. Francis.
 D—Miss Margaret R. Wellbank. A—Miss Marian G. Fenerty.
 *Philadelphia—Villa Maria A. A., 205, Sisters of the Immaculate Heart.
 D—Miss Mary E. Walker. A—Mrs. Adele E. Reilly.
 Philadelphia—Assisi A. A., 83, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Miss Margaret C. Feeney. A—
 Philadelphia—St. Mary A. A., 49, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Miss Anna L. Larkin. A—
 *Philadelphia—Mt. St. Joseph's A. A., 267, Sisters of St. Joseph.
 D—Mrs. Earl A. Belmont. A—Mrs. George F. Bohen.
 Philadelphia—St. Leonard's A. A., 100, Sisters of the Holy Child.
 D—Miss Ruth M. Israel. A—Miss Eleanor Logue.
 Philadelphia—St. John's High School, 187, Sisters of the Immaculate Heart.
 D—Miss Frances Lehman. A—Miss Mollie Fogarty.
 Philadelphia—Eden Hall A. A., 307, Religious of the Sacred Heart.
 D—Miss Patricia F. Crosby. A—Miss Louise A. Oblinger.
 *Philadelphia—Academies of the Sisters of Mercy A. A., 264, Sisters of
 Mercy.
 D—Miss Agnes N. Moylan. A—Miss Alice Loughran.
 Philadelphia—Raven Hill Academy A. A., Sisters of the Assumption, Paris,
 France.
 D—Miss Dorothy B. McCormick. A—Miss Mary A. Beattie.
 Philadelphia—Sharon Hill A. A., 205, Sisters of the Holy Child.
 D—Miss Mary Louise Keffer. A—Miss Elizabeth Farrelly.
 Pittsburgh—Ursuline A. A., 100, Ursuline Sisters.
 D—Mrs. Thomas F. Coyle. A—
 Pittsburgh—Sacred Heart High School A. A., 94, Sisters of Charity.
 D—A—
 Pittsburgh—Mt. Mercy A. A., 175, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—Miss Naomi Larkin. A—Mrs. William H. Connell, Jr.
 Pittsburgh—St. Mary's of the Mount High School A. A., 228, Sisters of the
 Immaculate Heart.
 D—Miss Helen Philpott. A—Miss Rose Kelly.
 Pittsburgh—Cathedral High School A. A., 60, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—Miss Margaret J. Griffin. A—
 Pittsburgh—Divine Providence A. A., 175, Sisters of Divine Providence.
 D—A—
 Pittsburgh—Holy Rosary High School A. A., 125, Sisters of St. Joseph,
 Baden, Pa.
 Scranton—Mt. St. Mary's A. A., 158, Sisters of the Immaculate Heart.
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RHODE ISLAND.

East Providence—Bay View A. A. St. Mary's Seminary, 150, Sisters of Mercy.
 D—Miss Frances A. Doran. A—
 Providence—Elmhurst A. A., 200, Religious of the Sacred Heart.
 D—Mrs. James H. Carmichael. A—Miss M. Beatrice Brine.

Providence—St. Mary's A. A., 110, Congregation of Notre Dame.

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*Providence—St. Francis Xavier's A. A., 300, Sisters of Mercy.

D—Miss Marie Devlin.

A—Miss Helen F. Callahan.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

*Greenville—Sacred Heart Academy A. A., 50, Ursuline Sisters.

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TENNESSEE.

Chattanooga—Notre Dame A. A., 47, Dominican Sisters.

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Memphis—St. Agnes Academy A. A., 53, Dominican Sisters.

D—Sister Margaret, O.S.D.

A—Sister Bonaventure, O.S.D.

Memphis—Sacred Heart Institute A. A., 88, Dominican Sisters.

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Nashville—St. Bernard's A. A., 100, Sisters of Mercy.

D—Miss Mamie Stritch.

A—Miss Dolores Murray.

Nashville—St. Cecelia's Academy A. A., 90, Dominican Sisters.

D—Miss Evalyne Howington.

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TEXAS.

Austin—St. Mary's A. A., 132, Sisters of the Holy Cross.

D—Mrs. Winterford Harn Roberts.

A—Sister M. Alice Clare.

*Dallas—Ursuline A. A., 50, Ursuline Sisters.

D—Miss Marie C. Sweeney.

A—Mrs. A. R. Cowser.

Dallas—St. Edward's A. A., 36, Sisters of St. Mary.

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Dallas—Academy of Our Lady of Good Counsel A. A., 49, Sisters of St. Mary.

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Dallas—St. Joseph's A. A., 47, Sisters of Divine Providence.

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Dennison—St. Xavier's Academy A. A., 100, Sisters of St. Mary.

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El Paso—Loretto A. A., 20, Sisters of Loretto.

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Fort Worth—Our Lady of Victory A. A., 40, Sisters of St. Mary.

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Galveston—Dominican A. A., 90, Dominican Sisters.

D—Miss Elinore M. McDonough.

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Galveston—St. Ursula's A. A., 100, Ursuline Sisters.

D—Miss Mary D. Webster.

A—

Houston—Incarnate Word Academy A. A., 60, Sisters of the Incarnate Word.

D—Mrs. Archie Wilson.

A—

Houston—St. Agnes Academy A. A., 90, Dominican Sisters.

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*San Antonio—Our Lady of the Lake A. A., 149, Sisters of Divine Providence.

D—Miss May Day Donovan.

A—

San Antonio—Incarnate Word College and Academy, 75, Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word.

D—Miss Helen Gallagher.

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San Antonio—St. Joseph's Academy A. A., 36, Sisters of Divine Providence.

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San Antonio—Ursuline A. A., 20, Ursuline Sisters.

D—Miss Margaret Dolan.

A—

Sherman—St. Joseph's A. A., 27, Sisters of St. Mary.

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Waco—Academy of the Sacred Heart A. A., 85, Sisters of St. Mary.

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Wichita Falls—Mary Immaculate, 80, Sisters of St. Mary.

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UTAH.

Ogden—Sacred Heart A. A., 50, Sisters of the Holy Cross.

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Salt Lake City—St. Mary's A. A., 75, Religious of the Sacred Heart.

D—Mrs. W. M. Jeffers.

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VERMONT.

- *Burlington—Mt. St. Mary's A. A., 95, Sisters of Mercy.
D— A—
Rutland—Mt. St. Joseph's A. A., 100, Sisters of St. Joseph.
D—Miss Catherine C. Carmoday. A—
St. Albans—Villa Barlow A. A., 95, Congregation of Notre Dame.
D—Mrs. Frances D. Twigg. A—

VIRGINIA.

- Alexandria—St. Mary's A. A., 130, Sisters of the Holy Cross
D—Mrs. Frank Beall. A—Miss Regina Fannon.
Newport News—St. Vincent's Girls School, 25, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.
D—Miss Anna G. Folan. A—Miss Marie Carvil.
Norfolk—St. Mary's A. A., 149, Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.
D—Mrs. E. M. Holmes. A—Miss Rosina Peese.
Portsmouth—St. Joseph's A. A., 155, Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.
D—Mrs. F. J. Hulcher. A—Mrs. Everett Hewitt.
Richmond—St. Joseph's Academy A. A., 100, Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent.
D—Mrs. Julia C. Catogini. A—Miss Agnes Holzgraef.
Richmond—Monte Marie Academy A. A., 50, Visitation Sisters.
D—Mrs. H. Leslie Terry. A—Miss Kate E. McDonough.
Richmond—Sacred Heart A. A., 57, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, Ky.
D—Miss Henrietta Knightly. A—Miss Bessie Felthaus.
Richmond—St. Patrick's Academy A. A., 85, Sisters of Charity.
D—Miss Loretta A. Mocea. A—Mrs. O. B. Grassburger.
Richmond—Benedictine A. A., 90, Sisters of St. Dominic.
D—Mrs. John B. Bliley. A—
Weythville—Villa Maria A. A., 50, Sisters of the Visitation.
D— A—

WASHINGTON.

- Spokane—Holy Name A. A., 200, Sisters of the Holy Name of Jesus and Mary.
D— A—

WEST VIRGINIA.

- Clarksburg—St. Joseph's Academy A. A., 75, Sisters of St. Joseph.
D—Mrs. John F. Horty. A—
Martinsburg—St. Joseph's Academy A. A., 150, Sisters of Charity.
D— A—
*Parkersburg—De Sales Heights A. A., 175, Sisters of the Visitation.
D—Miss Sarah A. Cloonan. A—
Wheeling—St. Joseph's Academy A. A., 300, Sisters of St. Joseph.
D—Mrs. Joseph Stender. A—Mrs. J. A. Hess.
*Wheeling—Mt. de Chantal A. A., 300, Sisters of the Visitation.
D—Miss Esther M. Heil. A—Mrs. A. O. Bohem.

WISCONSIN.

- Chippewa Falls—Notre Dame A. A., 298, Sisters of Notre Dame.
D— A—
*Fond du Lac—St. Mary's of the Springs A. A., 16, Sisters of St. Agnes.
D— A—
Madison—Sacred heart Academy A. A., 100, Dominican Sisters.
D— A—
Milwaukee—St. Mary's A. A., 150, Franciscan Sisters.
D— A—
*Prairie du Chien—St. Mary's A. A., 225, School Sisters of Notre Dame.
D—Miss Helen Maline. A—
Racine—St. Catherine's and Holy Rosary A. A., 75, Sisters of St. Dominic.
D— A—
*Sinsinawa—St. Clara's College and Academy A. A., 500, Dominican Sisters
D—Miss Marie C. Flannigan. A—

CANADA.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Chatham—St. Michael's Academy A. A., 70, Religious of Hospitallers of St. Joseph.

D— A—

St. John—St. Vincent's A. A., 150, Sisters of Charity.

D— A—

NOVA SCOTIA.

Antigonish—Mt. St. Bernard's A. A., 90, Congregation of Notre Dame.

D— A—

Halifax—Mt. St. Vincent's A. A., 300, Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

D—Mrs. O. F. Cormier. A—Miss Peryl Catherine Daly.

Halifax—St. Patrick's High School, 275, Sisters of Charity.

D—Mrs. Walter J. O'Hearn. A—

ONTARIO.

Chatham—Ursuline College A. A., 85, Ursuline Sisters.

D—Mrs. Francis O. Gaukler. A—

Hamilton—Loretto A. A. of Mt. St. Mary's, 50, Ladies of Loretto.

D—Miss Margaret F. Gordon. A—

Ottawa—A. A. Congregation de Notre Dame, 100.

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Ottawa—D'Youville A. A., 89, Grey Nuns of the Cross.

D—Mrs. J. A. McKenna. A—

Ottawa—Cercle Youville A. A., 92, Grey Nuns of the Cross.

D—Mme. C. E. Mongenais. A—

Stratford—Loretto A. A., 50, Ladies of Loretto.

D— A—

*Toronto—St. Joseph's College A. A., 95, Sisters of St. Joseph.

D—Mrs. Bertram L. Monkhouse. A—

*Toronto—Loretto A. A., 153, Ladies of Loretto.

D—Mrs. James W. Mallon. A—Miss Gertrude Sullivan.

Windsor—St. Mary's Academy A. A., 100, Sisters of the Holy Name.

D—Mrs. Katherine King Teahen. A—

QUEBEC.

*Montreal—A. A. Congregation de Notre Dame, 280.

D— A—

EUROPE.

BELGIUM.

Malinès—Convent of the Ladies of Mercy.

D— A—

Brussels—Convent of the Sacred Heart, Religious of the Sacred Heart.

D— A—

Wavre—Institute des Ursulines, 100, Ursuline Sisters.

ENGLAND.

London—Convent of the Holy Child, 100, Sisters of the Holy Child.

D— A—

London—Roehampton Association, 278.

D— A—

FRANCE.

Paris—Association des Anciennes Eleves de College Hust, 60, Religieuses de Jesus Marie.

D— A—

IRELAND.

Dublin—Loretto Abbey A. A., 100, Ladies of Loretto.

D— A—

SWITZERLAND.

Fribourg—L'Institute de Hautes Etudes A. A., 20, Sisters of St. Dominic.

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THE REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger

November 1, 1922, to October 20, 1924

Your President in co-operation with the Right Rev. Director, the Executive Board, the Advisory Council and International Chairmen, has endeavored to accomplish the commissions authorized by the delegate body at Louisville, and to develop the interest of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae in all sections of the country.

As will appear from the report of the Recording Secretary, there has been a notable increase in membership during the past two years. The Federation now numbers 426 associations and is organized in all States in the Union, five only excepted.

The reports of the Officers and Chairmen of Bureaus will be submitted at special sessions of this Convention.

Executive Meetings—In accordance with Article II. of By-laws, the Executive Board has held three meetings during its term of office. One immediately following the Convention in Louisville, November 2, 1922, one in Chicago, October 22-25, 1923, and the third in Philadelphia, October 18, 1924.

The members of the Board were asked to vote by mail on eight important questions.

Owing to the death of our Second Vice-President, Mrs. Frank Bandle, Mercy Alumnae, Nebraska, Miss Margaret O'Connell of Texas, was promoted from Trustee to fill the vacancy of that office, and Miss Mary Unnewehr of Mercy Alumnae, Ohio, was appointed Trustee.

International Headquarters—Through the courtesy of our Right Rev. Honorary President, and our Right Rev. Director, International Headquarters were re-established at the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., with Executive Office, under the direction of our Executive Secretary, 1512 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Charter and Corporate Seal—On January 23, 1924, Honorable J. Charles Linthicum, Congressman from Maryland, introduced in the House of Representatives, a bill to incorporate the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae. This bill, No. 6061, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and ordered to be printed. On February 21, 1924, we were granted a hearing by the Committee, at which about thirty of our Alumnae members were present. Your President made the opening statement, and owing to the illness of Dr. Pace, the Reverend John J. Burke, C.S.P., made a strong appeal for us. He was followed by several of our members. We were represented at the hearing legally by Mr. George W. Dalzell of the District of Columbia.

The Committee on the Judiciary voted not to report the bill to incorporate, by special act of Congress, our Organization. This action was forecast at the hearing granted us by the Committee. Both the House and Senate Committees have adopted a policy of declining to report special incorporation bills, except in cases where the Corporation laws of the District of Columbia do not provide the petitioner with adequate powers to carry on his work, and advised that the Corporation laws of the District of Columbia were quite sufficient for our purposes, and would be equally as effective as a Federal Charter.

The Honorable George S. Graham of Pennsylvania, Chairman of Committee on Judiciary, wrote a letter to Father Burke, stating that while the conclusion was reached on the broad grounds of public policy, as to Federal Charters, it was in no manner to be considered as discrediting to the applicants in any way. He further stated that the members of the Committee appreciated the good object we had in view and the meritorious work in which we are engaged.

Upon vote of the Executive Board, proceedings were begun at once to take out a District Charter. Again through the courtesy of Mr. Dalzell, shortly thereafter, application was made for such a charter, and in due course the same was granted.

We are, therefore, now an incorporated body under the laws of the District of Columbia, and are entitled to act as such through our duly elected Officers, and use the corporate seal which we have had made.

We owe a deep debt of gratitude to Mr. Dalzell and our Executive Secretary, through whose untiring efforts and assistance our charter was obtained on May 19, 1924.

Certificates of Membership—The delegates at Louisville Convention voted that each affiliated association should receive a certificate of mem-

bership in the Federation. Owing to unavoidable delays in the matter of incorporation, and, consequently in having a corporate seal made, it has not been possible to have the certificates distributed. Estimates, however, for printing, and other estimates for engraving certificates have been obtained and have been submitted to the Executive Board.

Revision—At the Meeting of the Governors and Executive Board held in Indianapolis, October 21, 1921, a committee was appointed to revise the Constitution. The Committee has accomplished its task and the proposed changes in the Constitution have been submitted to all the associate members.

The revision will be taken up for final action during the convention.

Scholarship in the National Catholic Service School—At the Convention of the National Council of Catholic Women held in Washington, October 2, 1923, your President pledged, subject to the approval of the Executive Board, one thousand dollars for a two year scholarship in the National Catholic Service School. This action was approved by the Executive Board at its meeting October 24, 1923.

A detailed report of the award of the scholarship will be submitted by the Chairman of the Department of Social Service.

Educational Fund—At the meeting of the Executive Board of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, held in Chicago, October 21-24, 1923, it was resolved that in accordance with Article I., Section 1 of the By-laws, authorizing the Board to provide ways and means to carry on the work of this Federation, that a fund should be established, and be used for such purposes as may be determined later.

The Board requested the President and the Right Rev. Director to work out the plan in detail. It was also agreed that for the present, our efforts should be centered upon Catholic education and take the concrete form of financial encouragement to our teaching Sisterhoods.

In accordance with this action of the Board, after consultation with the Right Rev. Director, your President sent to the Governor of each Chapter an outline of the plan as developed. The result of this appeal will be made known to you at this evening's session.

History—At the meeting of the Executive Board in Chicago, October 22, 1923, the disposition of the history to which our Historian had devoted so much time and study, was given serious consideration.

With full appreciation of her good work, the Board decided that it was not expedient to have the history printed at this time, and voted that it should be deposited, together with the correspondence regarding it, in the archives of the Federation, in the custody of the Executive Secretary.

Bulletin—The new policy adopted by the Board of Directors of the Bulletin, has produced excellent results. The publication has become in the best sense, the organ of the Federation, and at the same time a source of information regarding the activities of the various chapters.

It has now become indispensable, not only to the State Chapters but to the individual members of the Federated Alumnae.

The result of the prize essay contest under the auspices of the Bulletin, will be reported by the Right Reverend Director, at the Bulletin Session.

It is gratifying to note the interest taken by our schools in this contest, and the fine quality both in content, and in style of the papers submitted by the competitors.

I would suggest that a similar contest be held annually, as a means of encouraging our teachers and their pupils, in one of the most important studies.

Year Book—Complete details of the Louisville Convention have been published in the Year Book of the Federation.

Catholic Sisters College, Washington, D. C.—At the Executive Meeting held in St. Louis, May 30, 1919, it was voted that the Federation subscribe to a life membership in the Catholic Sisters College. The fee for such membership being one thousand dollars, payable in annual installments of one hundred dollars.

On October 25, 1923, and August 27, 1924, the sixth and seventh payments were forwarded by the Treasurer.

Purgatorial Society—By vote of the Executive Board, March 9, 1923, it was resolved to enroll the deceased members of the Federation in a Purgatorial Society, and that their names be published in the Bulletin.

Arrangements were forthwith made for such enrollment in the Purgatorial Society of the Sulpician Seminary, Brookland, D. C.

Novena of Reparation—Through the suggestion of Miss Mary E. Brennan, the members were asked to join in a novena of reparation in honor of

Mary Immaculate, beginning Friday, March 28, 1924, and ending on Saturday, April 5, which was the Alumnae Saturday Communion Day.

Braille—On April 11, 1924, your President presented to Trinity College two volumes on Latin Prose Composition for the use of blind students.

These books were transcribed and donated to the College by the Brooklyn Circle.

The full report of the work in Braille will be submitted by the Chairman of the Bureau of Braille at the session of the Department of Education.

Audience with His Holiness—On June 16, 1924, your President was received in private audience by the Sovereign Pontiff Pope Pius XI. His Holiness accepted with evident gratification the complete set of the Bulletin offered to him by your President, spoke with approval of the work of the Federation and imparted his Apostolic Benediction to all its members.

In this connection, I desire to express my appreciation of the courtesy extended to your President by the Right Rev. Monsignor Charles A. O'Hern, Rector of the American College in Rome, through whose kind attention the privilege of receiving Holy Communion from the Holy Father, and of conversing with him in a private audience was obtained.

Your President also had the pleasure of a visit to His Eminence, Cardinal Merry del Val, who was already thoroughly informed as to the aims and progress of our Federation, and spoke most encouragingly of its future, and of the possibilities for good which lie before it.

At Malines, Belgium, your President was most kindly received by Cardinal Mercier on July 6th.

His eminence manifested a deep interest in the aims of the Federation and inquired in detail regarding its organization and methods.

He expressed his gratitude for the assistance received from the Federation, in the shape of a fund amounting to twelve thousand dollars, which was contributed by our members.

This money was used in founding scholarships in the Gregorian School of St. Rombaut, under the auspices of M. l'Abbe Van Nuffel. These choristers form the choir of the Cathedral at Malines.

Foreign Affiliations—During my journey through Europe, I had occasion to visit the Convents whose Alumnae are affiliated to the Federation.

They manifested their interest in the aims of the Federation, and their satisfaction with its growth and activities.

Two new affiliations were obtained, Holy Child Alumnae, London, England, and Sacred Heart Alumnae, Brussels, Belgium.

Representation—Your President officially represented the Federation at the funeral services of the late President of the United States, Warren G. Harding.

Letters of sympathy were sent to Mrs. Harding, and also to Mrs. Woodrow Wilson on the death of her husband, the late Ex-President of the United States, and to President and Mrs. Coolidge on the death of their son, Calvin Coolidge, Jr.

Letters of congratulations and good wishes were sent to His Eminence, George Cardinal Mundelein of Chicago, and to His Eminence, Patrick Cardinal Hayes of New York, on their election to the Sacred College.

The Federation has paid annual dues of one hundred dollars for International membership in the National Council of Catholic Women and our delegates attended the Conventions.

We had representatives at all meetings of importance and legislation, and acknowledged receipt of all invitations.

Calls of Courtesy—The following calls of courtesy have been made by your President:

His Holiness, Pope Pius XI.

His Eminence, Raphael Cardinal Merry del Val, Rome, Italy.

His Eminence, D. Cardinal Mercier, Archbishop of Malines.

His Eminence, Francis Cardinal Bourne, London, England.

His Eminence, D. Cardinal Dougherty, Archbishop of Philadelphia.

His Eminence, George Cardinal Mundelein, Archbishop of Chicago.

His Eminence, Patrick Cardinal Hayes, Archbishop of New York.

His Grace, Bonaventure Cerretti, Papal Nuncio to Paris.

His Excellency, Most Reverend Pietro Fumasoni Biondi, Apostolic Delegate, U. S. A.

His Grace, Most Reverend John Joseph Glennon, Archbishop of St. Louis.

His Grace, Most Reverend Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore.

Right Reverend Thomas J. Shahan, Rector of Catholic University of America. D. C.

Right Reverend Hugh C. Boyle, Bishop of Pittsburgh.
 Right Reverend John J. Swint, Bishop of Wheeling, West Virginia.
 Right Reverend Edward A. Pace, Catholic University of America. D. C.
 Right Reverend Charles A. O'Hern, Rector of American College, Rome,
 Italy.

Right Reverend Monsignor Dessain, Malines, Belgium.
 Reverend Father Hagan, S.J., Vatican Observatory, Rome.

During her term of office, your President has attended and addressed the following State meetings: District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Brooklyn Circle, Maryland, West Virginia, Ohio, Chicago Circle, New York, Massachusetts, Illinois, Pittsburgh Circle, New York Circle.

Your President has visited and been entertained at the following Convents:

Nazareth Academy, Nazareth, Kentucky.

Loretto Convent, Loretto, Kentucky.

Convent of St. Catherine of Sienna, Springfield, Kentucky.

Notre Dame College, Maryland.

Institut de Notre Dame, Maryland.

St. Catherine's Normal Institute, Maryland.

Baltimore Academy of Visitation, Maryland.

Mt. de Sales Academy, Maryland.

Mt. St. Agnes College, Maryland.

Immaculate Conception Academy, Maryland.

St. Martin's Academy, Maryland.

Georgetown Visitation Convent, Washington, D. C.

Trinity College, Washington, D. C.

St. Joseph's Convent, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, Penna.

St. Mary's Academy, Norfolk, Virginia.

St. Joseph's Academy, Portsmouth, Virginia.

Notre Dame de Namur, Dayton, Ohio.

St. Mary's Academy, Alexandria, Virginia.

Holy Cross Academy, Washington, D. C.

Visitation Convent, Brooklyn, New York.

Mt. de Chantal Academy, Wheeling, West Virginia.

Boston Convent of the Sacred Heart, Boston, Massachusetts.

Fenway Notre Dame Convent, Boston, Massachusetts.

Emmanuel College, Boston, Massachusetts.

Sacred Heart Convent, Washington, D. C.

Seton Hill College, Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

Immaculata Convent, Chicago, Illinois.

Sacred Heart Convent, Forest Park, Chicago.

Saint Xavier's Academy, Chicago, Illinois.

Mt. Mercy Academy, Pittsburgh, Penna.

St. Ursula Academy, Pittsburgh, Penna.

Mercy Convent, Philadelphia, Penna.

Arch Street Sacred Heart Convent, Philadelphia, Penna.

Maryville Sacred Heart Convent, St. Louis, Missouri.

St. Charles Sacred Heart Academy, St. Charles, Missouri.

Sacred Heart Academy, St. Louis, Missouri.

Visitation Convent, St. Louis, Missouri.

Loretto Academy, St. Louis, Missouri.

St. Mark's High School, St. Louis, Missouri.

Rosati-Kain High School, St. Louis, Missouri.

St. Alphonsus High School, St. Louis, Missouri.

St. Elizabeth High School, St. Louis, Missouri.

Ursuline Academy, St. Louis, Missouri.

St. Joseph's Academy, St. Louis, Missouri.

Marillac Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri.

Trinita di Monti, Rome, Italy.

Maria Reparatrice, Rome, Italy.

Mother House of Sacred Heart, Rome, Italy.

Visitation Convent, Rome, Italy.

Holy Child Convent, Rome, Italy.

Assumption Convent, Rome, Italy.

Dames des Marie, Coloma, Belgium.

Institut des Ursulines, Wavre Notre Dame, Belgium.

Sacred Heart Convent, Brussels, Belgium.

Visitation Convent, Paris, France.

College D'Hulst, Paris, France.

Sisters of Charity, Rue du Bac, Paris, France.

Assumption Convent, London, England.
Holy Child Convent, London, England.
Roehampton Sacred Heart Convent, London, England.
Harrow on the Hill Visitation Convent, London, England.
Sacred Heart Convent, Overbrook, Philadelphia, Penna.
Convent Notre Dame de Namur, Philadelphia, Penna.

It is a pleasing duty to acknowledge the hearty co-operation which has been given your President by the Right Reverend Director and the other Officers of the Federation. Through their devotion to our ideals and their willingness to assist in every way possible, the work of administration has been made lighter and easier.

That such a spirit has been aroused in our Alumnae is no small achievement. It is at once an evidence of the vitality of our Federation and a guarantee of success in our future undertakings.

REPORT OF RULES AND REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

Miss Regina M. Fisher, Chairman

I. In addressing the Chair, the speaker's name, alumnae association, graduate school and the teaching religious community must be clearly stated. International Officers, Governors of Chapters and International Chairmen, shall, in addition, state official positions.

II. The privilege of a voice in the Convention deliberations is extended to Delegates and their Alternates, Officers, Governors, International Chairmen and Regents. Only the International Officers, and regularly accredited delegates may vote.

III. Each speaker shall be limited to three minutes in discussion of a question and may speak a second time only when all who desire to be heard on the subject have had an opportunity of doing so. Specially assigned papers on programs and reports of Committees shall be limited to five minutes. A Time-keeper shall be appointed by the President to enforce this rule strictly.

IV. Delegates shall be seated by states. International Chairmen and other **non-voting** members shall be seated in the Section reserved for them. Visitors must not be seated with the Delegates.

V. Resolutions must be submitted in typed form to the Resolutions Committee, not later than October 21, 1924.

VI. Rules governing the Election shall be formulated by the Rules Committee just prior to the Election and following the adoption of the Constitution and By-Laws as revised.

LEGISLATION AND THE SCHOOLS

Reverend Paul L. Blakely, S.J.

(Delivered at the Luncheon on "Mother Seton Day," Bellevue Stratford, Philadelphia, Monday, October 20, 1925.)

We Americans are a people much given to the making of laws. How we keep them is another matter. It has been calculated that the policeman who tries to keep traffic clear at a New York city crossing must have some knowledge of about 16,000 laws. How many he must know here in Philadelphia, since the coming of the famous Colonel Smedley Butler, I leave to local statisticians. I have no personal acquaintance with local conditions, but I have heard it said that in this cradle of liberty there are now but two laws for the guardians of peace and order—and they may really be reduced to one: "Hit him first, and hit him hard!"

It is not surprising then, given as we are to passing laws and new laws, that much legislation has been adopted regarding the school. Of the greater part of this legislation, we, as American citizens and as Catholics, have nothing to say in criticism, except that we should feel happier were we assured that education in this country were in the hands of those who love it, and not largely under the control of those who exploit it in the interests of bigotry and partisan politics. We spend nearly a billion dollars a year on our elementary public schools. We Catholics pay our part of that billion. It is to the common good that these sums be expended wisely and honestly. Again, since perhaps ninety

per cent. of our American children are in these schools and will never be in any other, it is imperative that the schools be so conducted as to be of the highest possible advantage, physically, intellectually and morally, of their pupils.

Federal School Legislation

School legislation falls into two groups: (1) Federal legislation, (2) legislation in the several States.

There are at present about forty bills before Congress affecting education, a fact which indicates the growth of the opinion that the Federal Government must exercise some degree of control over the local schools. Chief among these bills is what is known as the Sterling-Reed Bill for the creation of a Federal Department of Education. Introduced first in October, 1918, but subjected to many amendments since that time, the Bill still retains the features which from the beginning made it objectionable to all who believe that the local schools should remain under the exclusive control of the local school authorities.

As need hardly be said, no educator opposes this Bill because he believes that it will help education. Men like Dr. Butler of Columbia, President Goodnow of John Hopkins, President Kinlay of Illinois, and former President Eliot of Harvard and Hadley of Yale, have worked against its adoption because they are convinced that it will create Federal control of the local schools, extend the present political features which so often harm the schools, to a national scale, and act as a check upon that local initiative and enterprise vitally necessary to genuine progress in education.

Not Yet Reported Out

Although a number of organizations, chief among them the National Educational Association, and the Masons of the Southern Jurisdiction, have been tireless in urging this measure, it has not as yet been reported out of committee. As far as I can judge, the opposition, at first rather weak, is daily increasing in strength. The people are awakening to the fact that if the Federal Government subsidizes the schools, the Federal Government will ultimately control the schools. If a proper realization of this truth can be brought home to our people, the Sterling-Reed Bill is dead.

State School Legislation

The local legislation which is the most drastic—and most un-American—in its provisions, is the Oregon School Law.

The substance of this law, which will be voted upon in November, can be briefly stated. "Every child of school age must attend the local public school."

The law is based on the supposition, unheard of in this country until recent years, but very common in both ancient and modern tyrannies, that the State does not exist for the benefit of the citizen, but that the citizen exists for the benefit of the State. The citizen, then, is a mere pawn of the Government, to be moved here or there as the Government sees fit. It follows that the child does not really belong to those who brought him into the world, but to the State. Not only this, but every human activity must be subjected to the control, direct or indirect, of the State, whether that activity be charity, reform, education, or religion.

This is pure Caesarism, State absolutism, of a degree at which not even Napoleon or Bismarck dared aim. But we are approaching it in this country. Neither Federal nor State Governments have as yet interfered with religion, so far as I know, but charity, reform and education have been fairly well taken over by the civil power. We have made education, at least primary education, almost an exclusive function of the State. The rights of parents with regard to the education of their children are daily more and more disregarded.

In the Oregon Law this disregard of the parent's natural and inalienable right reached a climax. The State was taken to possess the prime and exclusive right to educate the child, while the child was regarded, at least in this respect, as the property of the State. The State, therefore, decreed that the wish of the parent who might have other views, should be overruled. The child must be educated in the local public school.

The Nebraska Law Held Invalid

It will be remembered that a few years ago, the States of Nebraska, Iowa and Ohio adopted laws which forbade the teaching of any foreign language in any school, public or private, within their several jurisdictions. At the instance of a Lutheran parish school in Nebraska, an appeal from a conviction was taken to the Supreme Court of the United States, and on June 4, 1923, by a vote of seven to two, the Supreme Court held that these statutes were invalid inasmuch as they destroyed certain rights enumerated in the Fourteenth Amendment. Incidentally, but very much in favor of the American doctrine of natural rights, the Court affirmed "the power of parents to control the education of their children," referring to it as springing from "certain fundamental rights that must be respected." Although the case did not bear directly on the Oregon Law, it became clear that the Supreme Court was not disposed to admit the philosophy on which that law was based. The Court admitted the right of the State to compel attendance at some school, and the right to make reasonable requirements for all schools, but it was not prepared to admit the right of the State to destroy fundamental parental rights in education. The following conversation between Justice McReynolds, who later delivered the opinion of the Court, and Mr. Arthur Mullen, of Omaha, who appeared to contest the validity of the Nebraska statute is very illuminating:

"Justice McReynolds: 'What about the power of the State to require the children to attend the public schools?'"

"Mr. Mullen: 'That I will come to in a moment.'"

"Justice McReynolds: 'You will admit that, will you not?'"

"Mr. Mullen: 'I do not admit that.'"

"Justice McReynolds: 'You do not admit that?'"

"Mr. Mullen: 'I do not. I deny that a State can, by a majority of the legislature, require me to send my child to the public school . . . I deny that any legislative majority can, by its mere fiat, take my children and require me to send them to the public school and have the courses of study absolutely controlled by the State. I deny that any such legislative power exists in a constitutional government."

"That question is at the very base of this case. It is a blow at education; it is striking down the principle that a parent has control over the education of his child. I deny the right of a legislative majority to take the child from its parent:

"The right of a man to communicate with his family and the right of a man to give religious instruction to his children; the right to be free in his home; the right to maintain private educational institutions, and in these matters to be let alone—surely these are "privileges and immunities" protected by the Constitution of the United States.'"

The seven-to-two vote indicated that the Supreme Court agreed.

The Oregon Law Overturned

The Oregon law went far beyond the Nebraska law, since it proposed to jail every parent who sent his child to any school other than the local public school. On January 15, 1924, the case was argued in Portland, and on March 31st, an injunction was granted by the Federal District Court at the instance of the Hill Military Academy and of the Society of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary.

Much of the ground covered in the Supreme Court hearings on the Nebraska law was again retraced. Speaking for the private schools, the Hon. J. P. Kavanagh said:

"People in this country have certain natural and inalienable rights. These rights existed before Constitutions were made, and they will exist after Constitutions are dissolved. They are not created by the Constitution; they are secured by the Constitution; and among these rights is the inherent, the natural, right of a parent to direct the education of his child.

"That is the ground which we take as American citizens, genuinely interested in education, and quick to resent any invasion upon those rights which we hold in common with our fellow-citizens."

On March 31, 1924, the Federal District Court decided that the Oregon law was unconstitutional, since it deprived (1) parents of their rights in the education of their children, (2) teachers in the private schools of their means of livelihood, and (3) the private schools of their property. The Court further

stated that the "privilege and right" of the private school "to teach in the grammar grades" must be regarded "as natural and inherent." This, precisely, is what we American Catholics contend for.

The Battle for American Principles

The long battle for freedom in education has brought into clear light facts which every American should know, but which many have forgotten. The first is that we Americans are not mere creatures of the State, holding certain rights by concession of the State and at its discretion.

Americans are not **subjects**. They are **citizens**. In our theory of government, all men possess certain natural and inalienable rights which flow from man's very nature. These rights are not created by any State or any Constitution. They existed before States and Constitutions came into being. They will continue in unimpaired integrity when States and Constitutions are in the dust. Constitutions do not grant these rights, but register and guarantee them.

The foundation upon which our political institutions have been reared, the Declaration of Independence, asserts that these rights come to man not from the State, but from God, when it affirms that all men "are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." These rights are not held by grant of the State, but by the grant of God. The State did not create them. The State does not concede them. The State may not destroy them.

Another truth brought out by the Oregon case is that the Constitution is a curb upon the people to restrain them from hasty, ill-considered and unjust action, as well as the guarantee of their liberties. If we are ruled by majorities, it is also true that the "sacredness" of the majority is no article of the American creed.

The Oregon case has been appealed to the Supreme Court and will probably come up for review this winter.

Laws or amendments embodying the principle of the Oregon law are still being vigorously urged in Michigan and Washington. We believe that the American people, once the true nature of these proposals is understood, will at once reject them as incompatible with the spirit of American liberty. The fight which Catholics have been making is in reality a fight to defend the rights which the Declaration describes as "inalienable." It is a fight for the fundamental rights of every American citizen.

AFTERNOON SESSION

2:30 P. M.

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, President, presiding

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETINGS

November 2, 1922 to October 19, 1924

Miss Anna R. Ward, Recording Secretary

Three meetings of the Executive Board of the I. F. C. A. have been held in accordance with the By-laws of the Constitution.

The first meeting was held at the Seelbach Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, Thursday, November 2, 1922, at 8:30 P. M. Eight members were present: Miss Florence A. Colford, Executive Secretary.

The following motions were adopted:

That the Executive Board approve the appointment of Miss Florence A. Colford as Executive Secretary, with a salary to be fixed by the President in conference with Miss Colford.

That Mrs. Sheeran have full charge of the Bulletin.

That Miss Brennan be directed to secure a bookplate for the I. F. C. A. for insertion in autographed volumes which have been and will be presented to the Sisters' College, Brookland, D. C.

That Mrs. McEniry, retiring President, Miss McHugh, Corresponding Secretary, and Miss Colford, Executive Secretary, be appointed to compile the year book, for the past administration.

That the Committee appointed to approve the revision of the History, prepared by Miss Kearney, be requested to make its report to the Executive Board.

The second meeting of the Executive Board was held at Chicago, in the Blackstone Hotel, October 22, 23, 24, 1923. The President presided. Eight members were present.

The following motions were adopted:

That Mrs. Devine, Trustee of the Canadian Section, be authorized to accept Mme. de Balanger's offer to assist her in the work of securing the affiliation of Associations in the Province of Quebec, particularly the French Section.

That the History, as compiled by Miss Kearney, be not published but placed with the correspondence pertaining to it in the archives of the Federation in the custody of the Executive Secretary.

That in accordance with the wishes of the Editor of the Bulletin, as expressed in her report, a special vote of thanks be given to the President for her ever ready willingness to assist the Bulletin staff.

That a special vote of thanks be tendered the Bulletin Editor for the splendid work she has done.

That a special vote of thanks be extended to the Managing Editor, the Business Manager, and the Advertising Manager and be it incorporated in the minutes of this meeting of the Executive Board its appreciation of the splendid results of the President's policy which has been executed so faithfully and successfully by the Bulletin staff.

That the Editor of the Bulletin, in accordance with her request, be authorized to increase the number of white pages in the allotment of Bulletin contract.

That Miss Hogan, as Assistant Treasurer be instructed to refund to the Bulletin Endowment Fund, \$423.64, the cost of printing the December, 1922, Bulletin, and that this sum, together with the balance of the Endowment Fund, \$933.91 making a total of \$1,356.65 be placed at interest subject to the direction of the President.

That the resignation of Mrs. Bandle, Second Vice-President, be accepted with regret that her illness necessitated her withdrawal from the Board.

That the question of International Headquarters be referred to Mrs. Benzinger and Miss Colford for investigation and report.

That until a National Charter of Incorporation be obtained the question of membership certificate be deferred.

That the matter of the Charter be left in the hands of the President for her action, and that a Federal Charter be obtained if possible.

That St. Mary's A. A., Davenport, Iowa, be dropped January 1, 1924, being three years in arrears for dues; That St. Joseph A. A., Guthrie, Oklahoma, be dropped, having resigned in good standing in 1922.

To approve the tentative pledge, given by Mrs. Benzinger in the name of the I. F. C. A., subject to the approval of the Executive Board, to the National Council of Catholic Women in Convention at Washington, to provide \$1,000.00 for a two years Scholarship in the National Catholic Service School at Washington, D. C.

That in accordance with Article II., Section 1 of By-laws authorizing the Executive Board to provide ways and means to carry on the work of this Federation, that a Fund should be established and used for such purposes as may be determined later on. The Board requested the Right Rev. Director and the President to work out a detailed plan centering upon Catholic Education and practical encouragement to our teaching Sisterhoods.

The third meeting of the Executive Board was held at Philadelphia in the Pink Room of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, October 17, 18, 19, 1924. The President presided; eleven members were present.

The following motions were adopted:

That the I. F. C. A. adopt the eighteen by twenty-four lithographed membership certificates which can be secured at a minimum cost of \$100.00 for the plate and 500 certificates, the style and design to be selected by the President.

That membership certificates be sent to all affiliated Associations.

That the matter of the Mary Memorial be taken up in the advisory Council with the Governors, Saturday, October 19, 1924.

That we extend to Miss Colford a cordial vote of thanks for her splendid piece of legal and secretarial work in connection with securing the Charter.

That the question of the Regents offering a motion in Convention be referred to the Advisory Council.

That the rules for the Convention be accepted as read by the President.

That a letter of appreciation be sent to Rev. Joseph A. Skelly, C.M., Director of the Association of the Central Bureau for the Miraculous Medal to thank him for the beautiful medals presented to the members of the Executive Board.

That this Executive Board thank the President most heartily for her distinguished services.

That a rising vote of thanks be given to Msgr. Pace for the inestimable privilege of his gracious inspiration and devotedness to the Federation.

That in the name of the Executive Board there be sent to His Grace, the Right Rev. Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore, a most heartfelt message of appreciation of his distinguished and radiant address to the I. F. C. A. assembled at solemn pontifical Mass at the Saints Peter and Paul Cathedral, Philadelphia, Sunday, October 19, 1924.

REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY

Miss Anna R. Ward

During the period of your Recording Secretary's office, October, 1922, to October 23, 1924, she has written 875 personal letters, 690 notices for dues, signed 99 pay orders, 66 credential cards, 25 Braille certificates, posted 10 year books, a total of 1,765. Six telegrams were also sent.

Nine Associations were dropped from the Federation as follows:

Merged: Mt. St. Mary's, Manchester, New Hampshire; St. John's, Omaha, Nebraska; Lourdes, Chicago, Illinois; Holy Name, Chicago, Illinois.

Resigned: Catholic College, Guthrie, Oklahoma; Sacred Heart, Boone, Iowa; St. Aloysius, Detroit, Michigan.

Ineligible: St. Mary's, Davenport, Iowa; Notre Dame, Santa Clara, California.
Number of Associations affiliated at time of

Louisville Convention	359
Dropped	9
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	350
Associations affiliated since Louisville Convention.....	77
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Total Membership	427

As one of the rank and file attending a Convention for the first time, realizing but faintly the ramifications of the Federation's work, yet elevated by love of Alma Mater and your generous support to a position of trust and undreamed-of responsibilities your Recording Secretary earnestly recommends the following for consideration.

Great benefit will be derived from the selection of initiated, experienced members to serve on the Executive Board. Persons who have proved themselves in State work are better qualified to safeguard the interests of the Federation and to perform official duties. In other words choose those from among you who have won their spurs.

The Recording Secretaryship came as a great honor whose grave responsibilities were proportionate, seriously accepted and conscientious effort expended in their fulfillment.

Unfamiliarity, however, with the Organization routine made the accomplishment of the task most difficult and it would have been impossible had it not been for the consideration and loyalty of her Associates on the Board most especially of the Treasurer and Executive Secretary whose unfailing co-operation and limitless patience in explaining the complicated details of this office made light in darkness.

The past two years have been a sort of University Extension course the diploma won when the Recording Secretary had attained entire efficiency in keeping records of dues paid or payable (able at a moment's notice to know who was in arrears from Atlantic to Pacific from Canada to Florida) when she had acquired immediateness in response to letters, courteous prompt acknowledgment of all applications, dispatch in sending names of newly affiliated Associations to the Corresponding and Executive Secretaries according to the standards of past and eminently efficient Officers.

It has been a joy to contribute to this great cause of Catholic education and in retiring from office it is a comfort to know that one may serve in other ways.

In conclusion may I say that to follow the leadership of a President who

exemplifies all that Catholic Convent training implies, a President whose enthusiasm for Federation ideals burns ever at white heat, is an inspiration indeed and to remain indifferent to the cause of Catholic education would argue a heart unmindful of all that Mother Church has done for us, her daughters, in the priceless gift of our revered, beloved teaching Sisters the world over.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Miss Margaret T. McHugh

The first work of the Corresponding Secretary upon her return from the Louisville Convention, was sending out 95 letters of thanks to all those who contributed towards the great success of the Fifth Biennial Convention. All telegrams and messages of greeting were also acknowledged.

The Directory of Catholic Colleges and Schools was carefully perused, and a list made of all unaffiliated schools that were eligible. A copy of both affiliated and unaffiliated schools was sent to each Trustee to aid in securing new associations.

Letters of thanks and regrets, and messages of sympathy were sent whenever the occasion demanded.

All information was promptly given, and literature sent upon request.

Invitations acknowledged to Washington, D. C., Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan and Virginia State Conventions.

Notices announcing new associations were promptly forwarded to Circulation Manager of Bulletin and Executive Secretary.

Announcements of changes in secretaries were sent to Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Executive Secretary and Bulletin.

Lists of approvals was compiled and sent to Chairman of Year Book.

Letters of thanks were sent for courtesies and hospitality extended Executive Board during Executive meeting October, 1923.

Communications were sent Virginia Senators and Congressmen relative to incorporation of Charter.

On April 15, 1924, form letters and lists of hotel rates for Philadelphia Convention were sent members of Executive Board, International Chairmen, and a sufficient number to Governors to distribute throughout their respective States. As the demands exhausted the supply, typewritten copies were made and sent upon request. A copy has been sent each new association affiliated since April 15th.

Correspondence referring to Convention was promptly answered and information given.

On August 15, 1924, a form letter from the President, and a copy each of the Official Convention Call and Revision of By-Laws were mailed to members of Executive Board; International Chairmen; Governors and to the secretaries of each affiliate association. Since August 15th, Convention Calls have been sent upon request.

On September 15, 1924, invitations to the Philadelphia Convention were mailed to members of the American and Canadian Hierarchy; Mother Superiors of all affiliated associations; Federation Sisters whose names have been sent in; past and present members of the Executive Board; International Chairmen; Governors, Regents and special list making a total of 852. An invitation has been mailed the Mother Superior of each association affiliated since September 15th.

The Corresponding Secretary attended meeting of Executive Board in Chicago, the Ohio State Convention and two Virginia State Conventions.

The Corresponding Secretary is pleased to report that her files are correct to date, and wishes to thank the President, Executive Secretary, and all those who co-operated so cheerfully in making the work of this office a pleasure instead of a duty.

The following are the statistics from November 1, 1922, to October 1, 1924:

Letters mailed	711
Printed matter	2,444
Year Books	26
Bulletins	10
Official Calls mailed.....	498
Invitations	860
Telegrams	4
Total pieces mailed	4,553

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Miss Marion McCandless

1922—1924

Receipts:

Balance on hand, as per interim Report.....	\$2,274.81
Initiation fees, dues, penalties	\$5,907.00
Sale of Liberty Bond, received from former Treasurer, Mrs. William V. Muldoon	103.15
Interest on savings account and accrued on bond	79.35
Checks—No. 209—No. 213 lost in mail, not cashed	3.00
Remittance from Chairman, Alumnae Saturday Communion	36.50
Total	6,129.00
Total Receipts	\$8,403.81

Disbursements:

Salary Executive Secretary and Office Rent Nov. 1, 1922, to Oct. 1, 1924.....	\$2,050.00
Office expenses, Executive Secretary	150.28
Printing, stationery, postage, telegrams, etc.	1,299.62
Bond for Treasurer, 1922-1924	10.00
Reporting Louisville Convention	288.00
Printing Dec., 1922, Bulletin, loan from Endow- ment Fund	423.64
Transfer balance Endowment Fund to B. M. Bulletin	825.30
Catholic Sisters' College, 6th and 7th annual pay- ments	200.00
National Council Catholic Women, dues 1923-1924	200.00
Depts. Literature and Education, printing and supplies	191.50
Sulpician Seminary, Purgatorial Society, 1923-1924	100.00
Refund to Bulletin of subscriptions received in dues	1,102.00
Christ Child Society, room rent for one year.....	180.00
Honorarium, Msgr. Pace, Chicago Board Meeting	125.00
Corporate Seal I. F. C. A.	31.48
Pictures for Alumnae Saturday Communion.....	54.75
Total Disbursements	7,231.57
Balance on Hand, October 9, 1924, First National Bank	\$1,172.24

ITEMIZED REPORT OF RECEIPTS

October 1, 1923—October 8, 1924

1923		
Oct.		
1	Balance on hand	\$ 753.65 \$ 753.65
8-12	Initiation fees, dues, penalties	44.00
Nov.		
Nov.		
2-19	Initiation fees, dues, penalties.....	92.00
Dec.		
4-21	Initiation fees, dues, penalties.....	37.00
1924		
Jan.		
7-30	Initiation fees, dues, penalties....	\$195.00
	Interest on savings account.....	4.72
		199.72

Feb.			
2-29	Initiation fees, dues, penalties.....	900.00	
12	Accrued interest coupons on \$100 Liberty Bond	21.15	
Mar.			
1-31	Initiation fees, dues, penalties.....	425.00	
April.			
1-26	Initiation fees, dues, penalties....	\$281.00	
15	Interest coupon on Bond.....	2.12	
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May.			
2-27	Initiation fees, dues, penalties.....	221.00	
June.			
2-30	Initiation fees, dues, penalties.....	391.00	
July.			
2-24	Initiation fees, dues, penalties	326.00	
Aug.			
4-29	Initiation fees, dues, penalties....	\$106.00	
18	Alumnae Saturday Communion..	20.00	
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Sept.			
1-30	Initiation fees, dues, penalties....	\$146.00	
6	Sale of \$100 Liberty Bond.....	103.15	
		<hr/>	249.15
Oct.			
1-8	Initiation fees, dues, penalties.....	58.00	\$3,373.14
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	Total receipts	\$4,126.79	\$4,126.79

ITEMIZED REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

October 1, 1923—October 8, 1924

1923			
Oct.			
15	Jas. H. Downs, Balto. Ptg. 2c. env. and postage....	\$	18.64
	A. G. Regan, N. C. C. W. Washington, 3M Peace Leaflets		9.00
17	F. A. Colford, Ev. Sec., Salary Nov.-Feb., \$250; expenses, \$9.30		259.30
19	Gentry Dup. Co., Wash., Multigraphing.....		11.50
23	Mgr. Pace, Honorarium Chicago Board Meeting...		125.00
Nov.			
3	Christ Child Soc., Wash., Rent, Oct. 23-Jan. 24.....		45.00
	Rev. J. M. Hayes, 6th payment Sisters College, Wash.		100.00
	M. McCandless, Premium on Bond as Treasurer....		5.00
19	St. Mary's Ind. School, Balto., 1M Legislation leaflets		12.25
Dec.			
10	St. Mary's Ind. School, 1M Girl Scout leaflets.....		12.00
24	Paulist Press, N. Y., 10M Book Lists, Dept. Lit.....		22.50
1924.			
Jan.			
4	Mrs. D. J. Riley, Dawson, Neb., Flowers for Mrs. Bandle		5.00
12	St. Mary's Ind. School, Leaflets, Social Service Dept.		28.00
17	J. H. Downs, Covt. 2c. Env. and ptg.		53.35
Feb.			
11	St. Mary's Ind. School, 1M Child Welfare leaflets...		15.50
	Hayden and Dalzell, Wash., Rent, \$16.66; Letters on door, \$6.00		22.66
	F. A. Colford, Office expenses.....		5.50
25	Hillison and Etten, Chgo., Ptg. 2c. Env., Rec. Sec...		33.24
	J. H. Downs, Ptg. 2c. Env.		23.07
	Hayden and Dalzell, Steel cabinet for Ex. Sec.		20.00
29	Helen J. McKenna, Bklyn., Postage, Dept. Lit.		8.24

March.			
10	F. A. Colford, Salary and office rent for Feb., \$100; expenses, \$1.83	101.83	
	Teresa A. Campen, Balto., multi. 240 letters.....	6.25	
17	J. H. Downs, Ptg. 2c. env.	12.14	
April.			
9	Salary for March and Office rent, F. A. Colford....	100.00	
	J. H. Dowbs, Stationer and postage.....	27.83	
21	W. F. Roberts, Wash., Binder for incorporation record	5.75	
May.			
12	F. A. Colford, Salary and office rent for April.....	100.00	
	J. H. Downs, 600 2c. Env. ptg.	17.93	
16	M. McHugh, Cor. Sec., postage for Convention Call Sulpician Sem., Wash., 1924 membership Purgatorial Society	30.00	
		50.00	
19	Teresa A. Campen, Multigraphing for President.....	6.95	
June.			
2	F. A. Colford, Salary and rent for May, office expenses, \$6.40	106.40	
	J. H. Downs, 500 2c. env. ptg.	13.41	
	St. Mary's Ind. School ptg. for Convention.....	38.55	
6	Lucas Bros., Balto., 1M engraved invitations for Convention	79.00	
25	Gentry Dup. Co. Incorporation record, mimeo., etc.	44.70	
July.			
2	F. A. Colford, Salary and rent for June.....	100.00	
Aug.			
1	C. G. Hogan, B. M. Bulletin, Refund of subs received in dues	572.00	
	F. A. Colford, Salary and rent for July.....	100.00	
20	W. F. Roberts, Office supplies for Ex. Sec.	5.80	
25	A. G. Regan, 1924 dues to N. C. C. W., Washington..	100.00	
Sept.			
1	Margaret Cotter, 7th Annual payment Catholic Sisters College	100.00	
6	Mrs. H. M. Benzinger, expenses of Pres., Aug. 23-Aug. 24	20.00	
	Gentry Dup. Co. 2c. env. and letterheads, ptg.	30.75	
	F. A. Colford, salary and rent, Aug. Office expenses, \$14.88	114.88	
10	W. F. Roberts, Sec. Book and 300 sheets paper.....	8.90	
	Shaw Bros., Wash., Ptg. 1M copies Revision Report	30.00	
15	F. A. Colford, salary and rent for Sept.	100.00	
22	Baumgarten and Co., Balto., Corporate seal I. F. C. A.	31.48	
30	St. Mary's Ind. School, 400 2c. Env. ptg.	10.75	
Oct.			
8	Democrat Print., Pinckneyville, ptg. Treasurer's Report	9.50	
	Anna R. Ward, expenses of Office, Jan. 23—Oct. 24	45.00	
	Total expenses	\$2,954.55	
October 8th,	Total receipts, as listed.....	\$4,126.14	
October 8th,	Total expenses, as listed.....	2,954.55	
		\$1,172.24	
October 8th	balance on hand in First National Bank, Pinckneyville, Ills.	\$1,172.24	

REPORT OF TRUSTEE FOR CANADA

Mrs. Robert Devine

Your Trustee has circularized every Convent in Canada, in the Catholic Directory even where on inquiry it was manifest that no Alumnae was in existence, hoping thus to spread the gospel of the Federation and plant the seed for the generations to come.

This necessitated an enormous amount of correspondence, but your Trustee feels that it was worth while: as most interesting letters came from unexpected sources, but also not always from expected ones. It is this tardiness in answering communications that makes organization by correspondence so unsatisfactory at times.

Owing to serious illness in my family it was impossible for me to attend the Executive Board meeting in Chicago, October, 1922. May I here, thank Madam President and my fellow officers of the Board for so generously passing all recommendations sent by me to that meeting. This enforced absence from the Executive Session was compensated by the fact that it enabled me to be present at the Ontario Chapter I. F. C. A. Convention held in Ottawa the same day. It was a joy to this Trustee, who had been Governor of Ontario to see the growth of Federation ideals as expounded in the Vice-Governor's address of welcome, the Governor's reply, the reports of the delegates representing every affiliated Alumnae in Ontario and every eligible Alumnae is affiliated. The Chapter is functioning with definite results as Mrs. Edmund Kelly the Governor's report will show.

Ontario's example is soon to be followed by other federated Chapters in Canada, I am assured.

Canada has four Provinces within the Federation, one Federated Chapter, Ontario; three unfederated, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia; and then the mighty West and Prince Edward Island.

Manitoba, especially St. Mary's, Winnipeg, whose sister school at Windsor, Ontario, is affiliated, is deeply interested in the Federation and much correspondence has been carried on by your Trustee who has reason to feel that the Seventh Biennial Convention will find Manitoba within the Federation. The Alumnae Associations are doing excellent work, seven Sisters from St. Mary's alone received degrees from the University of Manitoba last June. The reasons for their not affiliating at once, are purely local and have been explained to your Executive Board.

The Convents of Alberta and Saskatchewan, the Provinces lying between Manitoba and the Rockies, are young in years and their diocesan tasks enormous. As they are growing rapidly who can say but that their affiliation with the University of Alberta may mean that to my successor shall go the honor of welcoming them to the I. F. C. A.

British Columbia beyond the Rockies, six days journey from Ottawa needs personal intercourse, I feel assured. Organization by correspondence has been carried on by your Trustee in this Province since Boston Convention, 1920. Courteous replies of approbation from the Hierarchy have been most gratefully received but no affiliation of these Convents of high standard in Canada's most Western Province.

That the Governor of Oregon be the Canadian Trustee's Ambassador to these schools is a suggestion that I lay on the table for your earnest consideration.

Prince Edward Island has so far not manifested interest in I. F. C. A. but the seed has been sown.

Being deeply impressed with the advantages of the personal touch I determined to visit the Alumnae Association of the unfederated Provinces.

I left Ottawa, Tuesday, September 15th, at 3 P. M. arriving Antigonish Nova Scotia, Thursday noon, September 18th, I was welcomed by an Alumnae of Mt. St. Bernard, driven to the College where I was guest of the Reverend Sisters of Congregation de Notre Dame till Monday noon, during which time the Reverend Sisters and Alumnae did everything socially to make my visit in Antigonish memorable.

Tuesday I visited the beautiful Convent of Mt. St. Vincent where I was guest of the Reverend Sisters at Luncheon. The time spent here was all too short, but I had to hurry back to town to address the Sacred Heart Alumnae at 4 P. M.

This was a privilege I much appreciated as it was an opportunity to formally invite the Sacred Heart Alumnae to become affiliated. The seconder of the vote of thanks moved that the Sacred Heart Alumnae be affiliated with the I. F. C. A. and the President promised that the matter would be dealt with at the Annual meeting in October.

Tea was served at which the Reverend Mother Ward, the Superior, was hostess. At 8 P. M. I addressed the joint meeting of the Alumnae Associations of Mt. St. Vincent and St. Patrick's.

I arrived at Montreal Friday morning and was greeted at the station by members of the Alumnae. In the afternoon after a visit to the great Oratory of St. Joseph, I addressed the Alumnae meeting at which the work of the associa-

tion was shown to be the practice of Alumnae Saturday Communion and the clothing of children for attending school. Much valuable information was obtained from the Governor of Quebec, Miss Lillian McCabe, as to the reasons why the other Alumnae Associations of this Province of Convents were not affiliated, the chief being that they preferred to remain purely devotional sodalities. This condition is affecting many convents in Canada, whose Mother House is in Quebec.

New Brunswick, you will notice, the 100 per cent. province in Federation work, was not included in my trip to the East; this I regret to say was due to the death of the mother of Mrs. McMurray, Governor of New Brunswick, who for the third time has thus been prevented by death in her family from attendance at Biennial Conventions, Boston, Louisville and now Philadelphia.

This is a loss to the Federation for if one who has never attended a Biennial Convention can make her Province 100 per cent., what could she not do were she privileged to draw inspiration from this gathering?

REPORT OF TRUSTEE FOR NORTHWEST

Mrs. John J. Morrissey

Communications to Governors, 10: Colorado, 1; Idaho, 1; Iowa, 1; Minnesota, 1; Montana, 1; North Dakota, 1; Nebraska, 4; Oregon, 1; South Dakota, 0; Washington, 1; Wyoming, 0.

Communciations to Mother Superiors, 225: Colorado, 7; Idaho, 1; Iowa, 72; Minnesota, 57; Montana, 7; North Dakota, 9; Nebraska, 26; Oregon, 17; South Dakota, 10; Washington, 18; Wyoming, 1.

Responses were received from the following: Colorado, Sisters of Presentation, Akron; Iowa, Sisters B. V. M., Emmitsburg; Sisters Servants of Mary, Anthon; Minnesota, Sisters of St. Frances, Owantonna, Sisters of St. Joseph, Fulda, School Sisters of Notre Dame, Wabasha; Nebraska, Sisters of Mercy, O'Connor, Dominican Sisters, Cedar Rapids.

Follow Up Communications, 23 (each containing one or more leaflets): Communications from Executive Board, 46; Communications to Executive Board, 16; Communications received, 58; Communications sent out, 276; Total, 334.

REPORT OF TRUSTEE FOR SOUTHWEST

Miss Mary Unnewehr

Due to the vacancy created on the Executive Board by the promotion of Miss O'Connell to the Office of Second Vice-President in October, 1923, Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, President I. F. C. A., gave to me the honor of appointment as Trustee on the Executive Board. The Southwest was assigned as my territory.

Your Trustee of this territory begs leave to submit the following report:

Files and other material pertaining to the Southwest territory were kindly sent to this office by Miss O'Connell. The Southwest Territory comprises Arizona, Arkansas, California, Kansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oklahoma, Utah and Texas.

Letters were written to the Governors of these states in effort to obtain their assistance in interesting un-affiliated schools. Two Governors sent replies.

In the Southwest territory are about 165 un-affiliated schools and as listed in the Catholic Directory are eligible to membership in the Federation.

The following letter was sent to Superiors of unfederated schools (letter inclosed).

Most of these letters were not acknowledged. A number of the Superiors gave most gracious attention to the invitation sent them to affiliate their Alumnae Associations.

Many of the schools in the Southwest territory have no Alumnae Association, or an Association in the formative state and not ready to take up the work of the Federation. They are interested and anticipate affiliation as soon as their associations complete organization.

No record was sent to this office of the schools of this territory making application through the State Governor to become members of the I. F. C. A.

Your Trustee of the Southwest territory had the pleasure of receiving two applications for I. F. C. A. membership, one of which brought into the Federation not only a new association, but also a new state, namely, New Mexico.

The Southwest territory holds a field of unlimited possibilities for the Federation. The spirit of the I. F. C. A. has reached with great force parts of this territory. Enthusiasm and interest are increasing in each of the Southwestern States.

However, closer contact with the Federation is greatly needed. Let us hope that the near future may present the opportunity of bringing the Federated Catholic Alumnae into the midst of the Golden West and give to those who might not otherwise so have the chance to have true insight of the ideals and aims for which the glorious I. F. C. A. stands.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE FOR THE SOUTHEAST

Miss Mary E. Brennan

The work of the Trustee for the Southeast District covering the period from October, 1922, to October, 1924, was as follows:

Letters were written to each of the twelve Governors in the district asking for co-operation, and requesting that efforts be made to secure affiliation of schools not already in I. F. C. A. Proffered help in whatever way it might prove of value, particularly in the sending of names of unaffiliated schools, data, etc. Seven states responded.

February, 1923—Received communication from the Governor of Georgia asking information regarding details of her office. Also a request for a list of schools and method of procedure for the Federation of her State. This information was embodied in reply, and detailed suggestions given through New York member then visiting in Governor's city. At present, Georgia is well organized, five out of thirty-six possible cases, and in charge of active Governor, Miss Margaret Hogan.

April, 1923—Received two letters from Governor for Florida, requesting details of associations unaffiliated in her State. Replied and received, subsequently, copy of splendid letter sent to all eligible Florida schools by the Governor, Miss Ruth Masters.

Received invitation to attend State Convention in Nashville, Tennessee, but owing to illness was obliged to refuse. Tennessee has seven convents, and all but two are affiliated. St. Cecilia's Academy, Nashville, was represented in 1923 and 1924 in the Graduates Drive, and in the Essay Contest of 1924 St. Bernard's of Nashville, and St. Agnes' of Memphis also competed, showing activity of Governor, Miss Evelyn Howington.

Maryland being 100 per cent. affiliated, and the home of our President needed no encouragement. Seven schools were 100 per cent. in Graduates Drive of 1923 and of 1924, and Maryland entered Essay Contest each year.

After the Louisville Convention two schools in Kentucky promptly affiliated with I. F. C. A., Good Shepherd School, Frankfort, and Holy Cross, Covington, and the Governor, Mrs. A. R. Meyers took means to have State Federated.

Kentucky had the honor to win the first Essay Contest. Miss Eugenia Woodville of St. Catharine's, Kentucky, taking the prize. Ten schools in the same State contributed to the Graduates Drive.

West Virginia has enrolled all the eligible schools in the State, four in number. There are three others, but no alumnae formed. With this small group of four, the Visitation Convent of Parkersburg is always 100 per cent. in the Graduates Drive.

The Governor for Virginia has been doing a notable piece of work in her territory, which this report will not attempt to cover, since the Governor's report will itself contain it. In brief, Scholarships have been established, Parliamentary Law classes conducted, Social Service programs covered, and a live interest in the Graduates Drive and the Essay Contests manifested. The Governor extended an invitation to the Trustee to address the Convention in September at Richmond, but it was impossible to do so. However, a visit was made during the winter of 1924 to Richmond, and a meeting arranged with the Governor, when I. F. C. A. plans were discussed. The prize for the second Essay Contest went to Virginia, Miss Catharine Zoe La Coppidan of St. Joseph's, Portsmouth, being the winner.

With the statement that all communications addressed to the Trustee for the Southern Territory have been responded to date, this report is completed.

REPORT OF TRUSTEE FOR THE NORTHEAST

Miss May F. Carroll

The report of the Trustee of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae covers a period of two years, October, 1922, to October, 1924. A complete report for the first year, October, 1922, to October, 1923, was read to the members of the Executive Board assembled at the Hotel Blackstone, Chicago, Illinois, October, 1923.

The Northeastern section of the United States was given to me to canvass for new members. This northeastern section comprises the States of: New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont and Wisconsin. With the assistance of our corresponding secretary, Miss Margaret McHugh, a complete list was obtained in most of these States of Alumnae Associations eligible for membership but not within the fold.

The plan adopted was to work with the co-operation of the Governor of all Federated States. Letters were mailed to all Governors, asking their assistance. The Governors of Illinois, Michigan and New York were most co-operative, visiting in person schools in their States eligible for membership, and reporting to me by letter the success of their visits. Special mention must be given here to the great and fruitful work done by the Governor of New York State. Mrs. Victor L. Zimmerman, she reports to me that 17 new Alumnae Associations in the State of New York have joined the ranks of the International. Some and many of these Associations through the State were visited in person by Mrs. Zimmerman reaping splendid results.

New Associations coming into the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae during this period, in the northeastern section of the United States are as follows: New York, 17; New Jersey, 1; Illinois, 1; Indiana, no report; Maine, no report; Massachusetts, no report; Michigan, 4; Ohio, 3; Pennsylvania, 5; Rhode Island, no report; Vermont, 1; Wisconsin, 1. Total new Associations, 33.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Miss Florence A. Colford

This position was created by a resolution of the Fifth Biennial Convention of the Federation, held in Louisville, October, 1922. In accordance with that resolution the President at a meeting of the Executive Board held November 2, 1922, at Louisville, appointed an Executive Secretary, which appointment was approved by the Board.

The office immediately began to function. The work of the Executive Secretary as at present established, is primarily that of correspondence, and keeping a record of the Federation files.

The summary of the correspondence is as follows:

Current Correspondence:

Letters to Executive Board.....	669	
Letters to International Chairmen.....	187	
Letters to Governors	390	
Letters to Associations	215	
Letters to Miscellaneous correspondents.....	152	
Letters to Bulletin Staff.....	135	
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	1,748	1,748

Circular Letters:

Executive Board	213	
International Chairmen	144	
Governors	400	
Associations	1,614	
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		2,371
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		4,119

Under cover of these 4,119 letters there was distributed literature to the amount of 29,720 pieces, consisting of application blanks, department leaflets, lists of associations, governors, chairmen, Rules and Regulations for Circulars, Congressional bills and hearings, etc.

On each quarterly issue of the Bulletin Executive News was prepared and forwarded to the Editor of the Bulletin.

A charter in accordance with the laws of the District of Columbia was prepared, and the incorporation papers drawn up and the proceedings incident to incorporation were conducted by the Executive Secretary.

Two hearings before the House Committee on Judiciary were attended, one on the Bill providing for a Congressional Charter for the Federation, and one on the Cummins-Vaile Bill. For the former a small brief was prepared and handed in.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Members of the Executive Board who were always responsive to any appeal I made for guidance in the conduct of the new office.

REPORT OF ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. John McEniry, Chairman

Chapter Organization

It is to be regretted that **original** By-Laws of all Chapters organized before January 1, 1920, are not in file of organization committee.

When your chairman was appointed January 12, 1923, the files of the organization committee contained the following records:

(a) Copies of original By-Laws of Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, Minnesota, Mississippi, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia. These copies were secured by Miss Cecilia Mulqueen, Chairman of organization, 1920-1922. Utah did not send copy as requested.

(b) Original By-Laws filed in 1920-1922:

State.	Governor.	By-Laws approved
District of Columbia.....	Miss M. Louise Darr.....	February 26, 1922
Texas	Miss Margaret O'Connell.....	May 22, 1922
Tennessee	Miss Evalyne Howington.....	January 9, 1923

Province.

OntarioMrs. Edmund Kelly.....October 12, 1922

Your chairman received from Miss Mulqueen all correspondence during her term as chairman, thereby enabling the work to be done with definite accuracy and no duplication of effort.

It is a great pleasure to make the following report of work accomplished from January 12, 1923, to October 16, 1924, and that **original** By-Laws of Chapters formed during this period are on file.

State.	Governor.	By-Laws approved.
Nebraska	Mrs. Frank Bandle.....	Feb. 1, 1923, and Chapter formed.
Wisconsin	Miss Elizabeth Fox.....	Feb. 1, 1923, and Chapter formed.
Kentucky	Miss Anna Blanche McGill..	Mar. 18, 1922, and Chapter formed.
Kentucky	Miss Anna Blanche McGill..	Amended May 1, 1923, and Chapter formed.
New Jersey	Miss Catherine Cleary.....	May 1, 1923, Copy of Original By-Laws filed.
West Virginia ..	Mrs. C. G. Buchanan.....	June 15, 1923, and Chapter formed.
Georgia	Miss Margaret Hogan.....	July 1, 1923, and Chapter formed.
Ohio	Mrs. Mary McNamee.....	Amended Sept. 13, 1923.
Michigan	Miss Loretta Dupuis.....	Oct. 17, 1923, and Chapter formed.
Michigan	Miss Loretta Dupuis.....	Amendment Sept. 19, 1924.

West Virginia is reported in 1917-1919 Year Book as federated but no record of By-Laws or organization of Chapter could be located.

Our beloved and very energetic President was the inspiration for the organization of the West Virginia Chapter when she attended the golden jubilee celebration at Mt. de Chantal Academy. To her untiring efforts is credited the organization of this Chapter.

Organization of Chapters in California, Louisiana, New Hampshire, Vermont and Rhode Island are not perfected because of lack of co-operation of Governors. Kansas, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick admitted too recently to urge formation of Chapters. No reply from Utah.

In Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Maine, New Mexico, North Carolina, South Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Washington and the province of Quebec where there is one alumnae association affiliated, Chapter organization is impossible.

Circle Organization.

At the Louisville Convention, October, 1922, Article IV., Co-ordination of Aims, I. F. C. A. By-Laws, was adopted. At the Executive Board Meeting in Chicago, October, 1923, the following Regulations for Circles were approved and presented to Governors of Chapters and Regents of Circles.

1. Circles are formed for the purpose of unifying the Alumnae of a given locality, that in their combined strength they may more effectively carry out the aims and strengthen the ideals of the International Federation in that locality, and give every individual member an opportunity for active service in the I. F. C. A.

2. That the Regent of a Circle supervises work of individual members, while the Governor of a Chapter superintends I. F. C. A. activities of associations within her jurisdiction. Hence the Regent is not the connecting link between the associations and the Governor.

3. To every Governor is reserved the right to correspond directly with Alumnae Associations for chapter activities, but such correspondence should include every Regent within the Chapter.

4. Regents of circles may not represent Circles as delegates to Convention, but may represent, if elected, their own Alumnae Associations.

5. Regents do not hold membership in the Advisory Council which is limited to Governors under the chairmanship of the Reverend Director.

6. The Regent must report Circle activities directly to Bulletin for news items, but in I. F. C. A. Conventions the Circle reports to the credit of the Chapter.

Your chairman was instructed to include the formation of Circles in the work of the organization committee. From some of the Governors she secured the names and addresses of the Regents of Circles of whom she requested two typewritten copies of Circle By-Laws to be approved by the President and organization chairman. Some Regents, like some Governors, ignored her request hence this incomplete list compiled from the organization files.

Chapter.	City.	Regent.	By-Laws approved
Ontario	Toronto	Mrs. D. G. Fitzgerald.....	February 11, 1924
California	San Francisco ..	Miss M. A. Brady.....	February 11, 1924
Kentucky	Covington	Miss Marie Holters	March 21, 1924
Nebraska	Hastings	Mrs. J. F. Biglin.....	July 1, 1924
Nebraska	Dawson	Mrs. Leo S. Tiehen.....	July 30, 1924
Ohio	Cleveland	Mrs. Wm. G. Fornes.....	August 4, 1924
Missouri	St. Louis	Miss Regina Dougherty.....	September 16, 1924
Illinois	Joliet	Miss Jane Halkyard	September 18, 1924
Missouri	Kansas City	Miss Katherine Dalton.....	October 4, 1924
Kentucky	Louisville	Miss Nellie V. McGill.....	October 9, 1924
Tennessee	Nashville	Mrs. E. E. Cleary.....	October 13, 1924
Colorado	Denver	Miss Marie Foley.....	October 13, 1924
Pennsylvania ...	Pittsburgh	Miss Helen Philpott	October 16, 1924

Regents of Clinton, Iowa, and Chicago submitted By-Laws which were corrected and returned. Corrected copies were not received when this report was filed. Regents of Cincinnati, Brooklyn, Terre Haute, Memphis, Indianapolis, and Chattanooga did not submit By-Laws as requested. Names of Regents of Buffalo and New York City were not received from Governor.

It has been a privilege to serve as chairman and sincere appreciation is extended to our beloved President for her valuable assistance, to the members of the Executive Board, to the Governors and Regents who by their co-operation made possible this report.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Miss Marion McCandless, Chairman.

No report.

REPORT OF PRINTING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, Chairman.

Department Leaflets	9,500	9,500
Department of Literature:		
Book Lists	36,000	
Pledge Cards	10,000	
		<hr/> 46,000

Office of Treasurer:	
Due blanks, slips and arrears notices.....	2,800
Receipts with stubs	18,000
Order blanks for payment of bills.....	500
	<hr/> 21,300
President's Office:	
Application blanks	1,000
Envelopes, Executive Board, Chairmen and Bulletin.....	25,050
Letterheads for Executive Board and Chairmen.....	22,500
	<hr/> 48,550
For Committees:	
Alumnae Saturday Communion Cards	10,000
	<hr/> 10,000
Bulletin:	
Subscription blanks	25,000
Expiration slips	5,000
Acknowledgment cards of subscriptions	2,000
Graduate Drive, 1924-24	17,000
Assistant Treasurer Order blank payment of bills.....	500
Bill heads, Advertising Manager of Bulletin.....	1,000
Rate Cards	500
Advertiser's contract	500
	<hr/> 51,900
Convention:	
Call for Convention	500
Credential Cards	1,130
Revision Report	1,000
Invitations (engraved)	1,000
	<hr/> 3,630
	<hr/> 190,880

REPORT OF THE PRESS CHAIRMAN

Miss Florence A. Colford.

The International Chairman on Press submits herewith the following report, covering a period of two years:

A letter was sent to each Governor asking her to appoint a Press Chairman for her Chapter and send the names and address to the Press Chairman of the Federation.

Seventeen Governors responded, naming a Press Chairman.

A letter was sent to each of these Press Chairmen, outlining a plan of procedure and asking for the co-operation of each one.

To the letters sent out ten replied that they would co-operate with the International Chairman.

The ten that responded sent in splendid notices of state meetings, etc.

In all the International Chairman has received over 100 press notices from both secular and diocesan papers. Special mention should be made of Colorado and Pennsylvania. Massachusetts also sent in a large number of notices. Pennsylvania had notices of her activities in practically every weekly issue of the "Catholic Standard" and "Times," in addition running a standing column entitled Stage and Screen.

In response to a letter received from the "Boston Post" for articles, a letter was sent to each chairman with a copy of the letter asking that she send articles to this paper from time to time covering items of interest of Chapter activities.

The International Chairman has from time to time sent articles to the Associated Press and to the News Service of the National Catholic Welfare Council.

HISTORIAN'S REPORT

October, 1922—1924.

Miss Elizabeth Kearney.

Honored President and Associates of the Federation:

I desire to submit the following report of the work of the historical department, since our Fifth Biennial Convention.

Early in the spring of 1923, a personal letter was addressed to the Governors

of all states, Canadian provinces and foreign countries having organizations affiliated with the I. F. C. A., asking for their co-operation in collecting data suitable for filing in this department.

In answer to these appeals, cordial responses were received from twelve states, and the province of Ontario, Canada.

Again, in the early part of the current year personal appeals were addressed to all Governors who had not already co-operated. This renewed effort brought forth responses from eight states, the province of New Brunswick, Canada, and England.

Personal communications from following Governors expressed deep interest in promoting this phase of I. F. C. A. activity: The District of Columbia, Kentucky, Illinois, Alabama, Mississippi, Texas, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Michigan, Connecticut, Idaho, Colorado, Massachusetts, Tennessee,—the Canadian provinces of New Brunswick and Ontario, and England.

The last mentioned communication, from the first of our foreign affiliations to be heard from, was less encouraging than the others,—the writer modestly asserting that, though their members are to be found in all parts of the Empire, in China, and in North and South America, their activities are of little interest to others, "and certainly not reported in the Press."

Resulting from the co-operation received, a very creditable collection of press clippings, programs, etc., has been filed, and is being augmented by fresh material each month.

Approximately, two hundred and fifty letters have been written in promoting the work.

REPORT OF ALUMNAE SATURDAY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Aloysius L. Fitzpatrick.

The Alumnae Saturday Holy Communion Committee submits the following report: Approximately five hundred pieces of mail have been sent out by the Chairman. These consisted of letters outlining plan for establishment of Alumnae Saturday in Chapters, instructions to Chairmen, letters recommending intentions for September and November Communion, Appeal for Novena of Reparation.

Outstanding features of this department's work were the offering of September, 1923, intention for the upholding of Catholic ideals of education, when antagonistic legislation impended. The November intention for deceased members, co-operation in the Novena of Reparation, in honor of our holy Patroness, when controversy outside the Church assailed our Blessed Lady. Our President, Mrs. Benzinger, ever alive to these conditions, and moved by a deep love of Our Blessed Lady, presented a Resolution at the Maryland Chapter Convention, instituting a Novena of Reparation in honor of our Blessed Mother, to be privately made, beginning March 28, and ending April 5th, Alumnae Saturday.

Many of the Chapters offered this Novena. Prayers were left to individual choice, but the President recommended these:

"Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy."

"Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception."

"Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother."

"O, Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."

An effort was made to secure the pledges of the 1924 Graduates before leaving school, the State Chairman visiting the schools of their affiliations, explaining Alumnae Saturday. Many Chapters responded and a general observance was inaugurated June 7th, the graduates receiving in their Convent Chapels.

Following a visit of the President, Mrs. Benzinger, to Cardinal Mundelein, on the occasion of the Executive Board meeting in Chicago last October, regarding the observance of Alumnae Saturday, His Eminence graciously gave approval of the practice and granted permission for pulpit announcements. The approval of His Grace, Archbishop Curley of Baltimore, and Archbishop Dowling of St. Paul, Bishop Gallagher of Detroit, Michigan, and Bishop O'Connell of Richmond, Virginia, has also been granted. His Eminence, Cardinal Dougherty, Archbishop of Philadelphia, Archbishop Moeller of Cincinnati, and Bishop Boyle of Pittsburgh, had extended this favor in a previous administration.

In the Illinois Chapter, thirty-nine associations have assumed the responsibility of notifying four hundred pastors. The Maryland Chapter had Mass celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop Curley, for their deceased members, November 11th, and over five hundred members attended and received Holy Communion. New York reports the practice established throughout the State. On the Alumnae Saturday of May, five hundred members attended Mass, celebrated by Cardinal Hayes and received Holy Communion, in the Lady Chapel of St.

Patrick's Cathedral, New York City. This act of devotion was repeated October 11th, when His Eminence celebrated Mass for the New York Circle and distributed Holy Communion to four hundred members. The Novena of Reparation was made, and graduate pledges of school secured.

The Brooklyn Circle observed their annual Mass and Holy Communion, October 6, 1923—One hundred and seventy-five receiving Holy Communion. It is expected that double this number will participate in the coming general Holy Communion of the Brooklyn Circle. Two hundred and fifty cards were distributed—four hundred cards were distributed at the New York Circle Breakfast.

The Buffalo Circle initiated the practice by having Mass celebrated June 7th at Mt. Mercy, the Alumnae and graduating class receiving Holy Communion in their Convent Chapel.

Rochester Sacred Heart Alumnae adopted the Resolution and unanimously pledged observance, distributed one hundred cards.

The four Connecticut Associations report 100 per cent. observance, members are observing Alumnae Saturday in their respective parishes throughout the State.

District of Columbia, Washington, D. C., Committee notifies twenty-seven pastors of date for pulpit announcement, over five hundred members receiving Holy Communion on Alumnae Saturday; Mass and Holy Communion celebrated on the Feast of Purification, followed by Breakfast, at which four hundred cards were distributed. Fifteen hundred circulars with pledge slips enclosed were sent to Alumnae Members, and the first Saturday of May witnessed the inauguration of the practice in the Michigan Chapter.

Missouri was the first Chapter of this administration to respond to the initial appeal to establish Alumnae Saturday. In May, 1923, the annual Mass and Holy Communion was arranged by the State Chairman, to begin this devotion. Pulpit announcements were made in St. Louis.

In Texas, seven of ten affiliations are observing Alumnae Saturday. Each month, in the City of Galveston, a committee telephones members to remind them of their pledge.

Nebraska has pulpit announcements and about 70 per cent. of the Chapter Members receive Holy Communion; have secured graduate pledges and offered Novena of Reparation.

Virginia has permission for pulpit announcements which are made in the Churches of five cities. In one association, 92 per cent. of its members are faithful to the pious practice. Virginia is almost 100 per cent.

Pennsylvania has pulpit announcements—in Philadelphia and Pittsburgh—two hundred and forty-five pastors being notified by Committee in Philadelphia and one hundred and seventy-two in Pittsburgh. Five hundred and eighty graduates of 1924 Classes pledged observance of Alumnae Saturday. In Philadelphia, three hundred and fifty Members of 1924 Class of the C. G. H. S. attended Mass, celebrated by Reverend Joseph O'Hara, Superintendent of Parish Schools, in the High School Auditorium; received Holy Communion June 7th, and promised henceforward to observe the day.

Tennessee has pulpit announcements, and one association in Memphis receives in a body every month in their Convent Chapel. The Chairman is happy to announce Canada 100 per cent. in their observance, each of the four Province Chapters having established Alumnae Saturday.

New Brunswick has practiced since 1919, members reminded at monthly meetings. The 1924 Class of St. Vincent's High School, St. John's, N. B., thirty-seven pledged observance. Novena of Reparation offered.

Nova Scotia co-operated in September intention.

Ontario—At all the Alumnae reunions, assurance was given of faithful observance, graduate pledges secured, one 1924 Class has received Holy Communion throughout the year, on Alumnae Saturday. Ontario's progress indicates that it will soon be 100 per cent. The administrator of this diocese, Reverend Canon Campéau, has approved the practice, and it is expected that on his return His Grace, Archbishop Emard of Ottawa, will grant his approval.

In the Quebec Chapter, Alumnae Saturday has long been observed. A sermon on this devotion was a feature of their annual retreat. Plans are under way for a solemn observance on December 8th.

Four thousand Resolution Cards have been distributed in the Chapters.

The Governors of Alabama, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Idaho, Indiana, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, the four Canadian Chapters, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Ontario and Quebec have responded and appointed chairman.

These chapters, with a few exceptions, have co-operated in the work undertaken by the Committee and joined in September and November intentions, have pulpit announcements or notice in diocesan papers, Novena of Reparation, securing of graduate pledges. No report from Idaho, Indiana, Mississippi, West Virginia, Wisconsin. No response from Arizona, Arkansas, California, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Rhode Island, South Carolina and Vermont, nor from any European affiliations.

In the short time allotted it would be impossible to adequately convey the amount of time and labor so generously given in the establishing and fostering of this devotion, a labor of love indeed for Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and for our Holy Patroness, the Blessed Lady.

The faithful Chairmen of the State and Province Chapters, who so nobly co-operated, are to be commended and grateful thanks are due and herewith extended. Much remains to be accomplished and only by individual co-operation, can we hope to obtain our goal, that every one of our seventy thousand members observe faithfully the Alumnae Saturday Holy Communion.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF BADGES

Miss Charlotte E. Smith.

- Fourteen badges for members of Executive Board.
- Two badges for Co-Founders.
- One badge for Executive Secretary.
- Forty badges for Governors.
- Thirty badges for Regents.
- Thirty badges for International Chairmen.
- Three hundred badges for Delegates.
- Two hundred badges for Alternates.
- Eight hundred badges for Alumnae members.
- Special brass die of Federation Seal was cut to stamp on all Convention badges.
- Total number of badges, 1,417.

REPORT OF YEAR BOOK

Mrs. John McEniry, Chairman.

To International Officers, from 1915 to 1924, Governors, 1921-1923, International Chairman, 1921-1924, Louisville Convention Chairman, Regents of Circles, Mother Superiors of all Institutions whose alumnae associations are affiliated with the Federation and to secretaries of affiliated alumnae associations: One thousand two hundred and fifty complimentary copies of the 1923-1924 Report were mailed as follows:

Members of Executive Boards, 1915 to 1924.....	39
President, Founders, three Secretaries	52
1921-1923 Governors and Acting Governors	94
I. F. C. A. and Convention Chairmen.....	62
Alumnae delegates to Louisville Convention.....	188
Regents of I. F. C. A. Circles.....	21
Mother Superiors	369
Secretaries of affiliated Alumnae Associations.....	375
Total number mailed	1,250
Number of copies sold	158
Number of copies not sold.....	47
Number printed	1,455

Financial report shows a cost of \$1072.75 for printing Report as follows:

Expenses.

Paulist Press,	
1,455 copies	\$1,043.00
Envelopes	12.00
Stamps for mailing	87.50
September 1, 1924, check from I. F. C. A. Treasurer.....	\$1,142.50

Receipts.

108 copies sold @ 60 cents each.....	\$64.80
Copies sold at Convention, less postage.....	32.15
Total Receipts	96.95
Stamps and Express	27.20
Check mailed to I. F. C. A. Treasurer.....	\$69.75

Chapter Chairmen ordering more than ten copies were:

Mrs. M. J. DeBoor, Kentucky Chairman.....	25 copies
Mrs. A. A. Frauenheim, Pittsburgh Circle Chairman.....	14 copies
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Your chairman deeply regrets and asks pardon for the omission of the name of Miss Eleanor J. Kelly from list of delegates to Louisville Convention and announces that Miss Kelly attended Convention. Her name was omitted unintentionally in list of delegates from Maryland.

Roland Park A. A. of Notre Dame College.

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Name omitted here.

To our most efficient Executive Secretary, Miss Florence A. Colford, sincere thanks and appreciation is offered for her co-operation in preparing the Roll Call and furnishing lists of Mother Superiors and Secretaries for mailing Report in Chapters where Governors refused to send list to chairman.

Miss Anna Ward, Recording Secretary, and Miss Margaret T. McHugh, Corresponding Secretary, were most gracious and rendered valuable assistance to chairman by sending mailing lists where Governors of Chapters were inactive.

MARY MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Miss Mary O'Toole, Chairman.

No report.

INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS COMMITTEE

Miss Mary Louise Darr, Chairman.

No report.

REPORT BUREAU OF LEGISLATION

Miss Agnes G. Regan, Chairman.

In November, 1922, the president of the I. F. C. A. asked that I serve as Chairman of the Bureau of Legislation. Immediately on receipt of lists of governors, letters were sent requesting the appointment at as early a date as possible of legislative Chairman in their respective states. It is to be regretted that for many reasons these appointments were not made at once, but came along at intervals until at the present time there is a list of twenty-five Chairmen which of course is far from a complete roll.

A leaflet suggesting possible activities was prepared and printed. Copies were mailed to each governor and to the Legislative Chairman as appointed. Digests of the following bills and statements as to the Catholic viewpoint were also distributed.

Sterling-Reed Bill; Birth Control Bill; Equal Rights Blanket Amendment; Oregon Compulsory Education Law; Child Labor Amendment.

When requested, copies of additional bills and information concerning same have been forwarded. All affiliated Alumnae groups were requested to protest the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment and the Cummins-Vaile Birth Control Measure. Representatives of the I. F. C. A. appeared at the hearings of several of these bills and were recorded as protesting against their passage.

It should be a source of great gratification to our organization to know that a special hearing of the Joint House and Senate Committee to which the Cummins-Vaile Measure was submitted, was arranged so that Miss Sara Laughlin might be heard in protest, representing the I. F. C. A. Miss Loughlin handled

the subject in a very effective manner and her presentation was very well received by the Committee. A digest of the statement appeared in the I. F. C. A. Bulletin for September.

It is hard to make any definite report as to the activities of the state groups and local alumnae. In response to questionnaires seeking information to be embodied in this report only seven replies have been received. Only five of these, Alabama, Illinois, Iowa, Maryland and Pennsylvania report interest and action in connection with Federal and State Measures. There is no doubt that individual alumnae groups are studying legislative questions but as yet the channels for reporting on their work to the State Chairmen have evidently not been well established. Again legislation and civics are well established. Again legislation and civics are so closely related that it is hard to draw the line. In spite of discouragement let us remember that a beginning has been made; and that the delegates to this Convention will receive new inspiration and a better understanding of their responsibility as citizens.

With the opening of Congress and the convening of various state legislatures there is no question but that matters of great importance will demand careful study and definite action on the part of groups and individuals. The members of the I. F. C. A. the product of our great national school system, have here a challenge which they cannot and will not fail to answer.

Mrs. Lucille Harper, Chairman for Alabama, reports that St. Mary's of Loretta Alumnae were interested in the propaganda against the Shepherd-Towner Bill and a similar bill which was defeated in the State Legislature by efforts of local groups. Miss Ada K. Gannon of Iowa, reports her State interested in three things, Cummins-Vaile Bill, a State Bill providing for control of private schools, and the Charter of the I. F. C. A. Protests were sent by every association in the State on the hearing on State Control question, and to the Judiciary Committee of the House urging granting of the Charter. Letters were sent to all Iowa associations regarding the necessity of voting, and Alumnae urged to get out the Sisters' vote, and provide transportation for the Sisters to the polls. Miss Eleanor McCarthy, Illinois, reports her State active in working against proposed new constitution for Illinois, the Equal Rights Amendment, and Cummins-Vaile Bill. Maryland, under its Chairman, Mrs. Charles S. Woodruff, passed at its State Meeting a resolution opposing the Sterling-Reed Bill providing for a Department of Education, and with other women's organizations, appeared against the Equal Rights for Women Bill, introduced in the State Legislature. The Chapter endorsed a number of State Bills providing for conservation of fish in Chesapeake Bay, and an anti-pollution bill for Chesapeake Bay. It is estimated that 2,000 letters were sent out by the Alumnae members of Pennsylvania in protest against the Smith-Towner Educational Bill, according to the report of the State Chairman, Miss Patricia Crosby. Pennsylvania took special interest in the bill to incorporate federally the I. F. C. A., and in the short time allotted, the Chairman, Miss Crosby, and Alumnae Presidents got in touch with as many influential persons as possible.

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION FOR CANADA

Mrs. M. J. Lyons, Chairman.

No report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELATIONS WITH THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

Mrs. A. H. Bird, Chairman.

The Committee of which I am Chairman, the connecting link between the Alumnae Associations and the National Council of Catholic Women was created after the Boston Convention. The mere fact that our leaders have formed such a Committee indicates very clearly that they consider true co-operation should be between the two organizations. In each of the two years I have sent out letters to every Governor and every Alumnae branch stating the meaning, object, and hopes of the National Council of Catholic Women, and the desirability of full affiliation on the part of the Alumnae. Thus four hundred and twenty-seven letters have been sent out each year. At the present time fifty-two branches are affiliated and some of these have been members since the very beginning of the N. C. W. C. On the other hand twenty-seven branches which were affiliated failed to renew their memberships. This fact is so discouraging that we wonder if the efforts of the Committee have not completely failed.

I. F. C. A. EMBLEM COMMITTEE

Mrs. George G. Worthley, Chairman.

No report.

EVENING SESSION

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, President, presiding.

Prayer—Reverend Joseph A. Skelly, C.M., Director of the Central Association of the Miraculous Medal.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger.

At our convention in Louisville, October, 1922, you were pleased to place upon me the honor and the responsibility of the office of President of the Federation. That your action was a manifestation of your good will toward me has been abundantly shown during the two years of my tenure.

From the other officers of the Federation and from the individual members, I have received unmistakable proofs of kindly consideration and of willingness to co-operate, as circumstances permitted, toward the accomplishment of my tasks and the realization of the ideals which inspire our organization. I, therefore, take this occasion to thank you for your loyalty to our Federation and for the assistance which you have given me in the performance of my duty.

I am grateful also to those who, though not directly concerned with our aims and efforts, have nevertheless given proof of their interest and of their desire to make our work a success. In particular, I wish to express my appreciation of the friendly spirit which has been shown by the Hierarchy, the officials of the National Catholic Welfare Conference and the members of the local Committees who have made my personal visits and the meetings of our Executive Board so pleasant and profitable. It may be said, without exaggeration, that the very mention of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae has served as a passport to the most cordial consideration on all sides.

To the best of my ability, I have fulfilled the obligations imposed upon me by your choice and by our Constitution. If I have not been able to accomplish all that seemed possible and desirable, I must ask you to ascribe my shortcomings to unforeseen circumstances rather than to any lack of purpose or endeavor. As was to be expected, the growth of our Federation has brought up new problems, has opened up new avenues of action and therefore, has called for serious deliberation upon matters for which no provision was made, or could have been made, by those who brought the Federation into existence. Within the range of my ability and opportunity, I have done what I could to meet these various situations and to draw from them advantage for our common purpose.

At the same time, my experience has suggested various ideas as to what our Federation might undertake, either to strengthen its own organization or to render a larger service to Church and Country.

You have in your hands the modifications proposed by your Committee on revision of the Constitution. Some of you will recall the deliberations and discussions out of which the original Constitution was born at Chicago in 1915. None of us, of course, expected that the first framework would abide in every part and joint. Even greater and more solemn ordinances have been subject to amendment. In fact, it is, or may be, a sign of vigorous growth when an organization like ours, acting upon experience, goes back to its origin and lays anew the foundations upon which its future work is to be constructed. None the less, such rebuilding is a serious matter; and I, therefore, regard it my duty to ask that you give the Committee's report your most careful consideration. It is a matter of vital concern to the Federation as a whole and to each individual member.

With no intention of discussing any phase of the proposed revision, I think it but proper to note that on the basis of the original Constitution much has been accomplished. In ten years, our Federation has brought together such a body of Catholic women as was never heard of before, either in the Old World with its tradition of faith, or in the New with its abundance of energy. We have set up ideals that stir our alumnae to fresh enthusiasm. We have marked out new lines of activity. And we have given of our substance to the promotion of the worthiest causes.

But, now, turning to the future—if we can do those things, can we not do bigger things? Can we not take hold, in a definite, practical way of some move-

ment or institution and carry it on to success? There are so many possible things. Why not concentrate our forces upon some one and make it grow on a scale as high and broad as our own organization?

Let us conserve our energies. We have not the means to compete with the great financial agencies in their philanthropic enterprises, but at least we must rival their intention. Within the limit of our own capacity we must show that we understand and appreciate the opportunities that lie before us. And surely we must not let it be said that other Catholic organizations have surpassed us in doing good.

But again, there is so much good to be done, especially by Catholic women, that there should be no fear lest generous emulation descend to the level of conflict. In the field of education alone there is ample opportunity, or rather let me say, widespread demand for the united effort of all who are willing to do their part. We cannot have too many workers.

The same is true of those other fields into which our Federation has entered, social service and Catholic literature. In both, every day brings new needs, new problems and therefore, new claims upon our active co-operation.

Now it is plain that success in these two fields must depend not only on zeal but also upon trained intelligence. Our organization and programs are necessary in social work; but to make them effective a special preparation on the part of the workers is required. In the case of literary production, the need of training is still more obvious. Skill in writing is something that must be cultivated. It supposes both knowledge and power of expression. Above all, it supposes ability to think.

To state the matter more briefly: Our Federation activities, in any field, call for educated workers; and the call becomes more insistent as the lines of work multiply. The more we do, then, for Catholic education the greater will be the results of our endeavors in every direction. On the other hand, if our schools are not aided and encouraged to train those who must become members and leaders of Federation, we can hardly hope for successors to continue our work.

I have spoken of education in general terms. And it certainly is true that information, culture and mental power are indispensable for the attainment of our purposes. Let me, however, suggest that something more specific might be done to fit our alumnae for active membership in the Federation. If, in the school, they learned of our aims and methods, if they became, so to speak, candidates for admission to our ranks, they would be, at graduation, more enthusiastic and more competent. And of course, if they were instructed specifically in matters with which Federation is concerned, their preparation would be still more complete. Needless to add, those who go on to college might well receive as part of their regular course, either prescribed or elective, such a training as would equip them to take up at once some line of work as members of Federation.

On a modest scale, a beginning has already been made through the Prize Essay Contest and the provision of a two years scholarship at the National Catholic Service School. In consequence, favorable attention has been drawn to our work. Both teachers and pupils are coming to understand what Federation means. They see that while its offers are made to individuals and therefore, to local institutions, it gives these, through its awards, a national and even an international repute.

Why should we not expand in both these directions? Why not offer each year a number of prizes and scholarships to be awarded on a definite basis? By this means our schools would be stimulated, our teachers encouraged and a supply of new members secured for Federation.

There can be no doubt as to the co-operation of our Sisterhoods. Their presence, in considerable number, at this convention is proof of their interest in the work of Federation. What we would ask them to do is to arouse a like interest in their pupils and to give them such instruction as will prepare them, on graduation, to enter our ranks with enthusiasm and with a clear understanding of what they can do as members of Federation. The reports show that there has been a notable increase in our membership during the past two years. This surely is a reason to take new courage and to hope that all our underlying alumnae associations, will before long, join with us in our endeavor to direct our forces towards some nation wide achievement.

It is only by taking an active part in our work that they can develop in themselves and communicate to others that Catholic spirit so eloquently described by His Grace of Baltimore on Sunday, and it is only through the spread of that spirit that we can hope to "renew the face of the earth."

PROPOSING AND DOING

Right Reverend Monsignor Edward A. Pace

The subject placed opposite my name on this evening's program may be open to various interpretations. There are different meanings for the English word "propose." Consequently, the participle of that verb "proposing" may be interpreted now in one sense and now in another.

I had no chance to look over the printed proof of the program, or perhaps I might have changed the wording. It is either through lack of experience or through ignorance of the niceties of the English language that it was set down as "Proposing and Doing." What I have to say under that head would not fill a volume, and even in this year of grace, which is divisible by four without a remainder. I do not think any exhortation or rhetoric would have much effect, since we are now near the end of October.

Well, it is not in that sense that the subject is to be taken. Some proposals are difficult, some are easy, especially to the recipient. Some remain as words, whatever be the answer. Others are translated into deeds, and it is of this latter sort of proposal that I propose to speak.

There is another name commonly used on occasions of this kind. It is customary in order to expedite business, past, present, and future, to appoint a committee on resolutions. They are the persons charged with the responsibility of presenting to the members of the convention those things which appear to them worthy of undertaking.

That Committee has been appointed, but I can honestly say I am not acquainted with the names of the members, and for aught I know I may not be acquainted with a single individual on the committee, so that what I have to say has no personal reference whatever. There are various kinds of resolutions. Some resolutions, by the very fact of being drafted, read, and adopted fulfill themselves at once. Resolutions of thankfulness to those who deserve our gratitude, resolutions of congratulation to those who have left the commonwealth and ascended on high, to enjoy Glory, Power, Faith; resolutions of sympathy for those upon whom a pall of sorrow or affliction has fallen. All these resolutions, once set down in writing and agreed to by the assembly are over and done with.

Now, there is another kind of resolution, that which calls for action, that which looks to the future and says that in that future something is to be done. When the Committee on Resolutions has drafted such a "Whereas" and "Be it resolved," it is supposed that that "Be it resolved" is to be translated into deeds. It is not merely there as a very nice way to close the convention—"Whereas" and "Whereas" and "Whereas," and "Be it resolved,"—all nice sounding words, but this sort of resolution does not stop there, or should not stop there.

It is one of the saddest pages in human experience, so far as I have read, that many resolutions are taken, and intended to accomplish things, and remain as dead letters on the pages of the volume which records the proceedings of the convention.

I am not speaking now of our own Federation. It has fallen to my lot to draft resolutions for other associations. They were drafted, they were handed over to the mercy of the printer, and he did his duty, and the proceedings were tabulated, and laid away with all decency, and when the Association met next year, somebody would say, "Why, we had a resolution on that last year."

Now, I ask myself why should this be thus. How comes this to pass that a body of mentally balanced persons get together and, carefully considering their purposes and the ways of accomplishing those purposes, draft resolutions which do not result in action.

Instead of enumerating possible causes of those failures I wish, with all respect and reverence, to offer some suggestions, not only to the Committee on Resolutions, but to this entire body, because, after all, it lies with you to sanction, by your vote of approval, the propositions that are laid before you by this Committee.

First (this is not poetry, it is a very matter of fact statement)—not too many resolutions. Speaking from my own experience I will say this; that the resolving impulse is contagious. Someone starts a resolution. He runs through the litany of "Whereas" and "Whereas," and so on, and "Be it resolved," and in the meantime somebody says, "Oh, I have got one too," and then another, and another, and where it was intended to frame four or five resolutions, with anywhere from fourteen to twenty are offered.

Now, that multiplication of resolutions is a bad symptom for all the resolu-

tions. Not too many is the first suggestion I have to offer. Everybody is eager to resolve, few are eager to execute.

Secondly: let each resolution be carefully weighed, as to what it implies. It is very easy to make resolutions without stopping to consider, "Well, now, what is this going to cost, and how is this to be carried into effect?"

Not too much time should be spent on wording a resolution, and yet the sense of it must be clear beyond question. More than once it has happened, to my knowledge, at any rate, that when a resolution has been drafted, after a lapse of time a question has arisen as to what it meant. It was ambiguous. You could take it in this sense, or you could take it in another sense, and if I didn't care to work under that resolution, I could always take it in the sense that absolved me from that obligation.

In the next place, a definite assignment of the resolution should be made to some individual, or to a definitely appointed group of individuals. And the reason for this is plain—what is everybody's business is nobody's business.

In the fourth place, whatever the nature of the work to be done, as proposed in this resolution, that work should be fairly distributed. There is a tendency, as the old saying goes, to drive a willing horse to death. If you find that one, two, three, or a small number of persons take the thing in earnest and are ready to spend time and effort on it, the first thing you know, everything is being poured in on them. "Let George do it."

The result is that in the course of six months or a year, or whatever the interval between conventions—two years in our case—the result is that when the convention does assemble again, there are a half dozen people who ought to be in the hospital, instead of in a hotel, ought to be getting treatment instead of reading presidential addresses and making reports and all that sort of thing.

Don't put all the load on one or two or three. Let the honors be passed around. I notice when it comes to a question of honors everybody is willing besides "Barkis." It is in the carrying of the burden where the genuine self-sacrifice is to be found.

When a committee is appointed, A, B, C, D, and so on, no one should accept service who is not fully prepared and determined to render that service.

It is a very nice thing to hear one's name called out in public from the platform on Committee on so and so, "chairman, Miss A, members of the committee, Miss B, Mrs. C, Mrs. D, Miss E," and they all sit back and say—"Committee, Committee, my name will be in the 'Ledger' to-morrow morning."

Persons of distinction, persons whose intelligence is recognized by the whole Federation say that it should be a matter of conscience. "If I am appointed on a committee, my name is read out, and if I feel that I am incompetent, that I don't know what it is all about, or if I do know that somebody else can do that thing better, I feel that I should be excused. It is not my place, but somebody's else, for the simple reason that the assembly, the convention, the Federation turns this specific piece of work over to a group and says, 'We intrust you with that, we make you responsible or ask you to make yourself responsible for executing this commission.'"

And where there is so much at stake, where the welfare of the organization so often depends on how a certain measure is put through, it becomes doubly a matter of concern that whoever accepts service on a committee should be conscientious in rendering it.

Next: very often committees are appointed. They gather here, with their blushing honors upon them, and then there cometh a deep silence, and the officer in charge, whether it be president or any other official who is interested in that work, waits and waits and waits. She may send out a letter now and then of inquiry, a very nicely worded letter, full of tenderness and delicate hints, and say that perhaps, under untoward circumstances, you may have overlooked the fact that certain work was to be done. She waits one month. No answer. Of course, the United States mails do fail sometimes. No answer. Then another letter goes out with a little more energy. Then, when that letter gets to the recipient, the recipient is duly offended. "The idea! I like that! I am a member of that committee, and here she comes along and writes me a letter, 'Hurry up, hurry up.'"

All that can be avoided and the consequent friction that grows out of it by a very simple device, namely, a prompt report at stated times of what has been done by the committee. Don't wait until the person in authority has to ask for that report, as if it were a dental operation, one of extraction. It should be volunteered, should be spontaneous and timely.

If a task proves impossible, if the members of a committee find that they are not in a position to do what they undertook to do, for the sake of the Association the most honest thing to do is to surrender in time, not to wait until the

next meeting of the Association, the next biennial convention, and then come in and when the committee is called up—well, when it is called up, probably that sort of committee would be happily absent, so that no one would be aware of their failure, or it would not be made known in public.

You are all acquainted with the rather evasive answer that is made sometimes, "The committee reports progress." A poor excuse. They have been at it for twenty-four months, and in twenty-four months they come back and this is what happens: "Is the committee on so and so ready to report?" The chairman rises up, "Madame President, we report progress."

Those are the things that wear out the nervous systems of presidents, and bring them close to the other world.

These are only suggestions. The officers who have had experience in this line would probably be able to double the number of those that have been presented here, and would be doubly pugnacious, perhaps, and I am offering them, as I say, to the committee on resolutions that for me is made up of X, Y, X—unknown quantities.

Even if I did know them I would say, "Then, no one have I offended."

I think that the point brought forward here may possibly be of practical use in carrying on the work of the Federation, so that we can really feel, year by year, that what we resolve means something.

Our resolutions ought to be treated pretty much as the books in a bank. The books in a bank must be balanced at the close of every business day, so that you go there and you can say what is on this side, and what is on that side?

Suppose the bank, or an employee, a bookkeeper in a bank, would say, "Oh, well, we will put that off. We will fix up these books next week." Do you know how long it would take that bank to close its doors?

Well, the resolutions we take here are like so many obligations we enter against ourselves and all ought to be followed up. We ought to strike a balance.

GOVERNORS REPORTS

ALABAMA

Mrs. Lucille Harper, Governor

Although Alabama has not, as yet, a federated State Chapter, St. Mary's of Loretto Alumnae Association is doing its mite as an Association. Many of the activities falling under the Federation are taken care of here through other channels. However, we are concentrating our efforts along a few lines. Pledges for Social Work, and for active interest in Catholic Literature have been given by the graduates. We plan to make civics our special work, and endeavor to create an interest among our women and girls in this study. I consider that a great honor has been conferred on me, and I feel free to promise in the name of our Association, a renewed determination to advance in every possible way the interest of the I. F. C. A.

ARIZONA

Miss Mary M. Pettid, Governor

No report.

ARKANSAS

Miss Mary Donahue, Governor

Until recently Mount St. Mary's, Little Rock, was the only Association in Arkansas affiliated with the I. F. C. A. A short time ago, St. Anne's Alumnae of Fort Smith pledged its interest, and now efforts are being made to affiliated Mena. During the past two years, Mount St. Mary's has been aided in a material way by the Alumnae. Five thousand dollars have been pledged for the Building Fund of the Annex, and an Alumnae Room in the new building has been furnished by the Association. A magnificent marble statue has been erected in the Chapel by the President. A radio receiving set has been installed, and the Domestic Science Department enlarged. Two scholarships at Mount St. Mary's are maintained by the Alumnae. A boarding scholarship open to eighth grade graduates throughout the State, and a Day Scholarship is open to pupils in the city. Both are awarded through competitive examination. Plans are being made to enlarge the scope of work, whereby educational workers may be engaged to visit and address the various S. I. A.'s of the parochial schools. Mrs. T. T. Colvan, representative of the National League of Women Voters, will give a course in Parliamentary Law and Current Events to the members of the Alumnae Association and the pupils of Mount St. Mary's. The members of the Association hope to take up Braille in the near future. A chairman has been

appointed for civic and welfare work, and a representative of the Association has been made Director of Crusade Work in the parochial schools.

CALIFORNIA

Miss Margaret Rattigan

No report.

COLORADO

Miss Katherine Kenehan, Governor

Miss Marie C. Foley, Vice-Governor, reporting

There are 9 Associations in our Chapter, 3 of which have affiliated since the Louisville Convention, leaving 5 not yet federated, but which we hope will join soon. The Denver Circle has just been formed. Committees were appointed to locate and help the blind in the homes, to co-operate with the Courts in the care of Catholic children, and nine of our members have joined the Big Sister's Association. We had a representative at the last session of the Legislature and are represented on a Committee to further the interests of women and children. The Parent-Teachers Association is established in four of our schools and the committee is trying to interest others. Musicales were given monthly last winter, under the direction of the Bureau of Music. Readings were given by Lillian White Spencer, a Catholic Colorado poetess of note. A Glee Club was also organized. Twenty-five dollars were donated to the Scholarship Fund of the National Catholic Service School. Seven subscriptions were sent to the Quarterly Bulletin, and one advertisement placed. A book drive in one of our smaller towns, resulted in the gift of nine Catholic books to the Public Library, and the establishment of a Catechism class and a Catholic Boys' and Girls' Club, which meets monthly to establish a more extensive and thorough knowledge of Catholic Literature. One Alumnae Association teaches Catechism in a poor parish in Denver, and clothes children for First Holy Communion, another distributes Christmas baskets, and a third is giving a scholarship to Loretto Heights College, and conducting a retreat annually at the College for the women of Denver and vicinity. Loretto Heights College is giving an Extension Course in Denver. Braille is taught in one of the Schools. The Chapter contributed a Patroness Fee of ten dollars to the Bureau for the Blind. The Chairman of the Bureau of Art will lecture before the affiliated Associations this year. Fifty pledges have been secured for the First Saturday Communion. A Rummage Sale, and Theater Benefit netted the Chapter \$450. At the Third Biennial Convention held in Denver, May, 1923, the leading clergy and educators of the State addressed us, including Emily Griffith of Opportunity School fame; Mrs. Mary C. C. Bradford, State Superintendent of Public Instruction; Mrs. Harry Zimmerhackel, President of the Colorado Parent-Teachers Association, and Professor C. C. Brown of the University of Colorado, State Examiner of High Schools. Professor Brown, who is a Mason, said, to his surprise, he found the Catholic High Schools among the best in the State, and the Catholic Sisters among the best teachers. In preparation for our State Convention we had a Class in Parliamentary Law. We are proud to belong to this greatest organization of women in the world, and are deeply interested in all Federation matters, and anxious to co-operate in making the influence of the I. F. C. A. felt around the globe.

CONNECTICUT

Mrs. M. A. Bailey, Governor

Connecticut has four Associations affiliated with the I. F. C. A. One eligible Association is not affiliated. The sum contributed for the Scholarship Fund for the National Catholic Service School was \$15. The Diocesan Bureau of Social Service donated \$1,000 for a scholarship to the National Catholic Service School, which was awarded to Miss Mary Lengen of Laurelton Hall Alumnae. One of the Francis P. Garvin Chemistry prizes, awarded to High School pupils in every State was won by Miss Celia Doyle of Hartford, Mt. St. Joseph's Academy Alumnae. Our schools advertise in the I. F. C. A. Bulletin, and many members subscribe. Mt. St. Joseph's Alumnae presented \$2,000 to the Academy for the Gymnasium Fund. Mt. St. Joseph's Academy is greatly interested in the Foreign Missions, and contributed over \$1,200 last year. The Academy of the Holy Family, Baltic, celebrated the golden jubilee of the school October 7, 1924, at which time the Alumnae presented a golden Tabernacle for the Chapel. The Alumnae of Laurelton Hall is at present raising funds for a memorial window in memory of the late Mother Gertrude, founder of the school. The Notre Dame Alumnae of Waterbury, is doing remarkable work for their organization, and last year received the largest graduating class in its history. Right Rev. Mgr.

Pace and Dr. William Kirby of the Catholic University, lectured during the year at Hamilton Heights, Hartford. Connecticut leads in Social Service work, having five Bureaus under the approbation of Right Rev. John J. Nilan. The Ladies of Charity, composed of members from the various Alumnae Associations, pay for two visiting nurses who daily call on patients requiring home service. One thousand garments were made by this Association last year.

DELAWARE

Miss May Horty, Governor

No report.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Mrs. James F. Hartnett, Governor

There are ten Associations in the District of Columbia Chapter, two, affiliated since the last Convention. Only two eligible associations do not as yet belong to the Federation. The Chapter has contributed \$209 to the Educational Fund, one association being represented 100 per cent., \$45 was collected for the Scholarship Fund for the National Catholic Service School. During the past year four schools subscribed 100 per cent. to the Bulletin. There were 128 new subscribers and 70 renewals. Each June a reception is held in honor of the graduating classes, when the work of the Chapter is explained. In the Department of Education many associations are sending Sisters each year to the Summer School at the Catholic University. One association contributed \$200 to the Archbishop Curley Scholarship Fund. Twenty-four high school scholarships have been given by the affiliated Alumnae. One association raised \$1,000 for their sisters, and another contributed a like sum and also pledged \$1,000 to the building of the main Altar at Trinity College, Washington, D. C. On February 2, 1924, four hundred members received Holy Communion at the first Mass and Communion Day of the Chapter. Two schools were represented in the Bulletin Essay Contest. One member won a prize for the public oratorical contests held in the District of Columbia. A chorus, two orchestras, and a Glee Club have been organized by affiliated Alumnae. Five members of the Chapter visit the Home for the Blind, and take the inmates to Mass. The Social Service work of the Chapter is done through existing Catholic Agencies. Thirty members work through the Christ Child Society, and the I. F. C. A. Committee collected \$500 on the Christ Child Tag Day. One Association sent five children to the Fresh Air Farm. Members are working with the Big Sisters Association assisting in Juvenile Court Work with and Automobile Committee, and visiting penal institutions. As a result of the Chapter's efforts to inaugurate a Girl Scout program, there are eight Alumnae Scout Captains and one lieutenant, one alumna taking the Training Course in Scouting and one the Summer Course. Time permits only a brief outline of the work accomplished under the Department of Literature. One Association conducted a course of lectures on Church History. Through the efforts of the Chapter the Christ Child Settlement Library was re-organized, about 1,500 volumes catalogued, and many volumes contributed by members. A member gave \$50 for the purchase of books needed in a parochial school. This is the second year the Chapter has subscribed to Diocesan papers. The campaign has been made to secure pledges from our women to read a Catholic book each month for a year and to subscribe to Catholic papers and magazines. Library Lists of interesting reading have been distributed to the High Schools, Academies and Colleges in the District of Columbia.

FLORIDA

Miss Ruth Master, Governor

No report.

GEORGIA

Miss Margaret Hogan, Governor

The Georgia Chapter has five Associations affiliated and one Association in the State eligible but not affiliated. We did not collect anything for the Educational Fund or the Scholarship Fund, as our Chapter is only one year old and our Associations small. Since our Alumnae were mostly inactive, and our schools not so progressive as Catholic schools in other parts of the country, we came to the conclusion the "Charity begins at home" so each Association in the State is defraying the expenses of one or more teachers at the Summer School at the Sisters College or at other Universities. We feel that we are doing great things for Catholic Education in Georgia by giving our Sisters advantages which

they could not otherwise afford. We trust we can see our way clear to raising a substantial amount for both the Educational Fund, and the Scholarship at the National Catholic Service School, before the next Convention. Pupils from three of our schools entered the Essay Contest and our Second Prize Essayist sent in a paper on "My Idea of a Genuine American Citizen." A student at Mt. St. Joseph's Academy won the State Prize offered by the Elizabeth Gavin Chemical Research Association. Braille classes have been established in both Savannah and Augusta, but we have only one certificate holder in Georgia, Sister St. John at Mt. St. Joseph's. While the Chapter as an organization has undertaken no social service work many of our members are working individually under other agencies, doing Juvenile Court work, Girl Scout work, establishing Recreational Centers for Catholic Girls and Boys, visiting hospitals. We have taken the census of our Business and Professional Women and have the record on file. At our last Convention we adopted a resolution condemning the Sterling-Reed Educational Bill.

IDAHO

Miss Grace Light, Governor

No report.

ILLINOIS

Miss Loretta Farrell, Governor

Since we have been asked to give a five minute report of our Chapter activities I shall not attempt to outline the work accomplished by each Chairman, hoping that you will give these your attention when the various International Chairmen report what Illinois has done under their leadership. The outstanding feature of the past two years was a greater understanding of Federation work. The previous administration was concerned with the difficult work of organization. This accomplished, we now feel the need for action. Fifteen State Chairmen have labored earnestly to have something definite to report. Although we find all I. F. C. A. work interesting the two B's claim our first consideration. Several months were devoted to our Bulletin advertisement Drive, the number of responses being a source of satisfaction to the Chapter Officers. Braille activities are supported largely by our City Circles, Chicago and Joliet contributing to the success of card parties for this cause. St. Francis Academy, Joliet, is our principal centre. A donation of \$100 was forwarded to Father Stadelman last year, and the Chapter also responded to the appeal of the International Chairman, Mrs. Baxter. A recent party for the Transcription Fund was held in the Chicago Circle. Social Service work is carried on through the existing agencies. Forty Associations are affiliated in the Chapter. Three Associations are eligible but not affiliated. The collection of the Educational Fund has been postponed, due to a desire for information on this matter. One hundred dollars was collected for the Scholarship at the National Catholic Service School. One hundred and twenty Bulletin Subscriptions have been secured. Twenty Bulletin advertisements representing \$246 were secured, which with \$120 for subscriptions, totals \$366 contributed to the Bulletin. Ten schools entered the Essay Contest. Cash prizes for first and second honors were awarded each year by the Chapter. We have been asked to state briefly what we are doing for Federation, but I think it would be appropriate to mention here what Federation has done for us. It has made hundreds of friendships and promoted a spirit of unity among our Convent women. Our business meetings are preceded by dinners, three at the Brownleigh Club, and one at the Morrison Hotel, Chicago. It was our privilege to entertain the Executive Board last October, the Chapter Dinner at the Drake giving us the opportunity to meet our President. If the financial burdens of our own State prevent our responding at times to the International appeal, we beg your patience because we are loyal at heart to the Federation.

INDIANA

Miss Lena Brady, Governor

No report.

IOWA

Miss Catherine M. Cullen, Governor

Number of Associations in Chapter, 18. Number of Associations eligible but not affiliated, 6. Amount collected for National Catholic Service School Scholarship, \$105. Number of Bulletin Subscriptions, 68. Number of Bulletin Advertisements, 2. Mt. St. Joseph's, Dubuque, has contributed magnificently toward the fund for the new building and for scholarships. St. Mary's High School

have an annual fruit shower and Card Party for the benefit of their Sisters holding membership in the Clinton City Circle. Mt. St. Clare, Clinton, was represented at the National Charities Meeting in Des Moines by four Sisters and two delegates. Two members of this Alumnae are doing social service at the Margaret Barry Settlement House, Minneapolis. They maintain two Sisters at the Sisters College, are purchasing an organ in memory of Mother Magdalene, furnished a Science Room and provided the Sisters with a Ford Sedan. St. Francis Academy Alumnae, Dyersville, had a course in Parliamentary Law, and are now taking up Braille. The Immaculate Conception Alumnae provided funds for magazines at the Academy, held a course in Parliamentary, and pledged to make a request for Catholic Books in public libraries. They provide annually food and clothing for the poor of the city. St. Joseph's Alumnae, Des Moines, maintain a scholarship at St. Joseph's College; provided prizes amounting to \$35, and through the Josephinum Club do social service work, teach Catechism. Last year ten thousand Christmas Stockings were distributed. Our Lady of the Angels Academy, Lyons, provides religious instruction weekly for children not in Catholic Schools. The Association paid \$100 to the Mt. St. Joseph's Scholarship Fund, at an expenditure of about \$2,000 financed athletic equipment for the Academy. The Alumnae maintain a Mission Unit which was represented at the Mission Crusaders Convention at Notre Dame by two delegates. During the past year the Mission Unit sent several boxes of clothing to the Foreign Missions Society, \$50 for Mass Offerings and \$25 for the purchase of pagan infants. Mite boxes are kept in all the classrooms. In December, 1923, \$15 was sent to the Techny Mission.

KANSAS

Miss Sara Harrigan, Governor

Despite our best efforts Kansas reports but two affiliated Associations. Letters, Bulletins, etc., were sent to the different associations. In June and August St. Mary of the Plains, Dodge City, and the Ursuline Alumnae of Paola, requested application blanks. There are about five Academies and as many High Schools in the State eligible. We are sending the assessment of five dollars for the National Catholic Service School, but regret our inability to contribute to the Educational Fund. For the present at least local interests must claim our best efforts. Secondary schools and colleges have been recently established. There are four colleges in the State, St. Mary's Alumnae, Leavenworth, established a scholarship fund for St. Mary's Junior College. The members of this association are active in work to cancel a debt of \$150,000 High School. St. Vincent's Circle, Kansas City, was organized to sew for the orphans at St. Vincent's, Leavenworth. At the Federal Penitentiary Sisters teach Catechism, and train the inmates to sing for High Mass and Benediction. While we are busy with home needs we are not unmindful or unappreciative of the great work of the Federation. We can but do our best and hope the time may come when we can open our purse as well as our heart to the cause of Catholic Education, Catholic Literature and Catholic Social Service.

KENTUCKY

Mrs. A. R. Meyers, Governor

Number of Associations in Chapter, 22. Number of Associations in State eligible but not affiliated, 8. Amount collected for the Educational Fund, \$258. Amount collected for Scholarship Fund, National Catholic Service School, \$60. Number of Bulletin Subscriptions, 134 (twelve schools 100 per cent.). Number of Bulletin Advertisements, 11. Number entered in Essay Contest, 16. To the zealous work of the Chairman of Education, Mrs. Lily B. Hardesty, is due the success of the Bureau for the Blind (a detailed report of which will be found in the Report of the International Chairman). A member of Our Lady of Mercy Alumnae, Louisville, will have charge of the religious training of a little blind girl, eight years old, who was placed in the Kentucky School for the Blind, through the Committee on Location of the Blind. The Bureau of Art conducted a Poster Contest, in which first prize went to a pupil of La Salette Academy, and the second to the Ursuline Academy, Louisville. The Chairman prepared a history of Catholic Art in Kentucky, and sent a beautifully illustrated address of welcome to Right Rev. John A. Floersch, Bishop of Louisville. The Bureau of Music reports a large number of schools observe Music Week, and a pupil of St. Francis Academy, Owensboro, received the State Prize for original composition in 1923. Twenty Alumnae Associations have had courses in Parliamentary and twenty schools have played this study in their Senior Class curriculum.

The following Civic Courses were given: Notre Dame of Providence Alumnae, Newport, St. Catherine's, Louisville Circle. The Bureau of Schools devoted its time to the establishment of parent-teachers organizations. The standard of education is being rapidly raised in Kentucky schools, many institutions having added college and normal courses. Two crowning events were the Golden Jubilee of Mt. St. Joseph's Academy, Daviess County, Ursulines, near Owensboro, and the Diamond Jubilee of St. Francis Academy, Nazareth Sisters of Charity, Owensboro. The Department of Education reports, under the Bureau of Child Welfare, that a health questionnaire was sent to every affiliated school. St. Mary's Academy, Paducah, installed scales, and all underweight pupils were put in observation class. Milk was furnished by the Rotary Club and the Knights of Columbus. The Chairman of the Bureau of Girl Scouts went to Cincinnati and took the Scout Course before organizing troops. Nine troops were organized in the State, six in Louisville, two in Paducah, one in Covington. The Bureau of Girls' Welfare arranged to work with the Travelers' Aid. Under the Department of Literature, Miss Jeanne Bulliet, Chairman, 250 pledge cards, and 500 Book Lists were distributed. St. Mary's Alumnae had printed a complete list of Catholic Books, and books by Catholic Authors, in the Public Library, for distribution among Catholics. Loretto Alumnae, Louisville, placed fourteen Catholic Books in the libraries of five cities. Five autographed volumes were sent to the Sisters College, Washington. The Press Bureau reports every affiliated school have established Press Hour, and all subscribe to the Bulletin. The Bureau of Theatre sent lists of appropriate amateur plays to all Associations. In the Essay Contest, a student of St. Catherine's Academy, had the honor of winning an International Prize in 1923. Circles were formed in Louisville and Covington. St. Walburg's Academy, Covington, raised \$1,000 for a scholarship in the Catholic University for one of their sisters, and Immaculata Academy, Newport, raised \$3,000 for scholarships in the school. The Governor begs to say that every letter was promptly answered, 800 letters written, and six visits made to Alumnae Meetings and to the Annual Meeting of the Tennessee Chapter in 1923.

LOUISIANA

Mrs. N. F. Thiberge, Governor

Miss Therese Gonsoulin, Acting Governor, reporting

The Governor of Louisiana received no report blanks and for that reason no report was made according to the form prescribed. However, the Governor, is doing her best to interest the various Alumnae Associations in the work of the I. F. C. A. For some reason they are slow in grasping the meaning of Federation, but each Alumnae has its own activities. Interest at present is centered in a new building at the Charity Hospital, New Orleans, the Seminary, and the enlarging of Loyola University. The Ursuline Alumnae are working to beautify the Chapel of Our Lady of Prompt Succor. The Braille work is continuing. Louisiana feels very humble about her work, realizing how little she has accomplished in response to the call of the I. F. C. A.

MAINE

Miss Hester H. Donovan, Governor

No report.

MARYLAND

Mrs. Harry N. McDivit, Governor

Fifteen Associations, and all eligible Associations, are affiliated in the Chapter. Amount collected for Educational Fund, \$1,523. Amount collected for the Scholarship Fund, National Catholic Service School, \$70 (full quota). Number of Bulletin Subscriptions, 91 new, 135 renewals, 150 in Graduate Drive. Number of Bulletin Advertisements, 27. In the Bulletin Essay Contests 75 entered, 46 in first, 26 in second, and 3 in final. Annual Communion Sunday established at Baltimore Cathedral. Scholarships in affiliated schools given by Alumnae Associations. Four Braille Books, and 75 volumes in Braille type comprising a wide range of Catholic Literature, placed in Enoch Pratt Free Library. Three Alumnae Music Clubs, and one Junior Music Club in one of the schools. Files brought up-to-date in Bureau of Placement of Professional Women. Bureau of Civics held lecture for teaching Sisters on "Baltimore City Government." Course in Parliamentary Law given November, 1923. Bureau of Schools reports events and activities of the year and names of prize winners in Essay Contests. Twenty-five dollars in gold given as prizes. One hundred and twenty-five graduates and more than five hundred Alumnae were entertained at a reception in honor of the Graduates of 1924 held June 1st at Mt. St. Agnes, Mt. Washington. Bureau of

Legislation reports Maryland Chapter represented at many Civic affairs. Resolutions were adopted favoring or opposing certain measures in Congress and State Legislature. The Social Service Committee reports over 1,000 garments made and distributed by Sewing Committee, volunteer work in clinics at Mercy Hospital, Travelers Aid, Family Welfare, regular visits to Almshouse, and T. B. Wards at Bay View, outings arranged, visits made to Home for Incurables, and musicale held, and Catholic inmates supplied with candles, linens, etc., for monthly Holy Communion. Catholic girl paroled to Chairman from Montrose School (home found for her, recreation supervised, and Confirmation arranged). Train fare paid weekly for two Sisters of Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart to the Maryland House of Correction to visit women prisoners. Survey outline. Bureau of Girls Welfare completed in Baltimore. Magazines sent to institutions. In the Department of Literature, hundreds of pledge cards and book lists were distributed. The Essay secured for December, 1923, Bulletin, "Modern Literature and the Catholic Girl's Reaction to It" by Marie Smith, Mt. St. Agnes Alumnae, was highly commended. Press Hour inaugurated in all affiliated schools. Definite arrangements made with International Truth Society to supply needy missions with reading matter. Through the efforts of the Theatre Bureau a talk was arranged at Notre Dame College by Reverend J. Callaghan, National Chairman, Catholic Drama Guild of America, and the result was the formation of a Branch of the Catholic Drama Guild comprised of twenty-five Dramatic Clubs of Baltimore, Dr. F. A. Litz, John Hopkins University, President. Sixty-three autographed volumes placed in Catholic Sisters College Library. Literature of Loyola Educational Digest and of the exceptional editions "Our Debt to Greece and Rome" sent to all federated schools, and during High School Week, pamphlets issued by N. C. W. C. distributed. A message of commendation sent by Chairman of Motion Picture Bureau to the Catholic Motion Picture Actors' Guild of America. Each federated school given a subscription to an educational magazine by Literature Department.

MASSACHUSETTS

Miss Dora E. Clepton, Governor

There are 13 Associations in Chapter. There are 29 associations eligible not affiliated. Amount contributed to Educational Fund, \$100, proceeds of a Card Party. Amount given to Scholarship Fund, National Catholic Service School, \$100. Number of Bulletin Subscriptions, 75. Number of Bulletin Advertisements, 3. All affiliated schools were sent details of Essay Contest, and two prizes offered by the Chapter. They were won by St. John's Notre Dame High School. The Alumnae Associations of Notre Dame de Namur of Massachusetts have contributed \$8,000 of their quota of \$15,000 pledged to Trinity College Altar Fund. Sacred Heart Alumnae contributed over \$2,800 to the Manhattanville College Drive. Mt. St. Joseph's Alumnae contributed over \$5,000 to their Sisters' Scholarship Fund. About \$15,000 has been raised by affiliated associations for scholarships. Under the State Chairman of Braille, Miss Mollie Fallon, 7,195 pages have been transcribed in two years, 25 certificates awarded, 13 Alumnae represented, \$2,042 contributed for plating books (a detailed report of the work for the Blind will be found in the Report of the International Chairman. The State Chairman of Civics, Miss Mary R. Walsh, organized a class of 46 for six lectures under the University Extension Department. Other courses were held in Woburn, Lowell, and Brighton. Reverend I. J. Corrigan, S.J., addressed 350 members of the Chapter on Civics. The Social Service Committee, under Miss Anne J. Devine, State Chairman, report \$100 given to Boston Catholic Charities Bureau to be used for vacation house for poor and sickly children. Members are affiliated with all charitable organizations of the State. Mrs. Mary D. Chambers, Chairman of Literature, held bi-monthly meetings at the League of Catholic Women in Boston. The Literature Committee distributed pledge cards, secured promises of giving Catholic Books as gifts, formed Reading Circles, requested reports on recommended books, encouraged the lending of Catholic books to non-Catholics, placed Quarterly Bulletin and Signet in Public Library. All schools joined in Foreign Missions Crusade held at Boston College. The Governor was invited to speak at the Watertown Sacred Heart Alumnae Banquet and the Lowell Notre Dame de Namur Alumnae Meeting, and the Manhattanville Sacred Heart Alumnae Annual Breakfast.

MICHIGAN

Miss Lorretto A. Dupuis, Governor

Michigan is proud to report six Alumnae Associations federated, and formed the State Chapter January 12, 1924. Since my appointment by the Executive

Board, January, 1923, every effort has been made to interest all associations. Alumnae of 21 High Schools have twice been invited to affiliate, resulting in three replies and two affiliations. In 1924 Presidents of 23 Associations were again written to and two replies and another affiliation resulted. The first biennial Convention of the State Chapter was held in Detroit, October 11, 1924, when appointments of Federation Secretaries, was urged. Essay Contests were conducted. Much work was accomplished by Braille and Alumnae Saturday Committees. Owing to the fact that Alumnae associations are actively engaged in raising building funds for their Alma Mater, or completing scholarship funds, it was moved at the State Convention that the question of the Educational Fund be placed on the table. Our aim is to increase our number, organize a strong Chapter, form city circles, etc., before anything concrete can be accomplished. We do not hesitate to say that Michigan will not fall short in the Federation Fund. Sincerest appreciation for the many courtesies extended by our President, officers and Chairmen is expressed by the retiring Governor.

MINNESOTA

Miss Mary J. Coveny, Governor

The Minnesota Chapter has a membership of six affiliated high schools, Alumnae Associations. Three high schools and two college associations are eligible but not affiliated. Twenty-five dollars was forwarded to the Scholarship Fund of the National Catholic Service School. Four of the affiliated schools entered the Essay Contests. A prize of twenty-five dollars was offered by the Chapter in 1923 and 1924. There is little concerted action of the Chapter to report, though the individual associations have done some fine work for their schools. St. Catherine's College, St. Paul, has just had blessed a beautiful chapel dedicated to Our Lady of Victory for which the Alumnae of St. Catherine's and Derham Hall have long worked. The other associations have been busy establishing scholarships and Chapel Funds. The most outstanding point of interest in the State is the Twin City School of Social Studies, established two years ago. It gives opportunity to those who want college work and supplies the Catholic touch for those who had not the privilege of doing college work in a Catholic College. The school is not sponsored by the Alumnae but it is well supported by the graduates of Catholic high schools for boys and girls.

MISSOURI

Mrs. Eugene Fusz, Governor

There are 22 associations in the Chapter; 2 associations are eligible but not affiliated. The collection of the Educational Fund has been deferred until the State Meeting. The amount collected for the Scholarship Fund of the National Catholic Service School was \$55. Bulletin Subscriptions amounted to 35 new, 28 renewals. There were 2 Bulletin advertisements from the Chapter. Number entered in Essay Contest, 8. Two Braille classes were organized and money raised for the proofreading fund. One Alumnae takes the Catholic Blind from one of our non-sectarian institutions to Mass every Sunday, and assisted in arranging the "Sight Preservation Day" of the Missouri Conference for the Blind. The Chairman of the work with the Graduates has reached by letter or personal visit all graduates of the past two years, explaining the objects of the Federation and urging subscription to the Bulletin. A charming get-together was held at the Rosati-Kain High School of St. Louis, under the Chairman of the Bureau for Schools. The Press Chairman secured columns in Catholic weekly papers, and articles in daily secular papers. The Chairman of Revision of By-Laws assisted the Governor and Regents of Circles in drafting By-Laws. The First Saturday Communion Committee has held two annual meetings in May, and has secured pulpit announcements. The Chairman of Literature sent appeals to all federated schools urging the establishment of the Catholic Press Hour, the reading of the Bulletin, the encouraging of good writing among pupils by contests. Under the direction of the Chairman of Social Service, a series of lectures on the need and reason for Catholic Social Service was given by Rev. M. I. Stritch, S.J., at St. Louis University. The Chairman was associated with the Tuberculosis Society of St. Louis, and from that office directed a health program in the parochial schools. Health talks, and health movies were given, and a Health Contest held in 1923 and 1924, in which 10,000 children from 40 schools took part each year. The Volunteer Committee of Federation members devoted 462 hours or 93 school days, to the work of weighing and measuring the children in this contest. The Kansas City Circle, Miss Katherine Dalton, Regent, has a membership of five associations, and approximately 250 individual members.

The circle has secured pulpit announcements for the First Saturday Communion. Annual luncheons have been held. Mrs. Mary B. Finan, First Vice-President of the Federation was entertained at a luncheon and addressed the members of the circle. The report of the St. Louis Circle, Miss Regina Dougherty, Regent, includes the following points: Monthly meetings held at which some literary and charitable work is included; 6,550 articles cut to be distributed for sewing by blind women in their own homes; Circle in charge of appointed days of annual sale of articles made by the blind; talks given during meetings by Miss Harvey Smith, A.B., Field Secretary of the St. Louis Tuberculosis Society, Miss Rose Marie Moorman, of the United Catholic Charities, and Mrs. Anna Harris of the Missouri Commission for the Blind; on request of the Red Cross twenty-four heavy kimono made for Japanese Earthquake sufferers.

MISSISSIPPI

Mrs. P. B. Stuckey, Governor

Mississippi has 13 associations affiliated. Three Associations are eligible but not affiliated. Amount collected for Teaching Sisterhood Fund, \$16. Number of Bulletin Subscriptions, 150. Number of Bulletin Advertisements, 4. The Mercy Alumnae has provided for the past year a yearly budget of \$1,500 for educational purposes. St. Joseph's Alumnae, Natchez, contributes \$200 yearly towards a normal course for their local teachers. This Alumnae also teaches Catechism in a poor Italian colony. St. Aloysius Alumnae, Meridian, St. Francis Alumnae, Vicksburg, and St. Mary's Alumnae, Jackson, are interested in various forms of social service work.

NEBRASKA

Mrs. Dan J. Riley, Governor

Because figures tell the truth, all the truth some of the time, and some of the truth all the time, but not all of the truth all of the time, I am going to put just a little preamble to my figures. I would like to have you visualize with me the conditions under which we work in Nebraska. Coming East, I discovered one thing of very great interest to me. I have heard since I was a very small child about the background of culture and education in the East. I have discovered on the way to the East that it is in the very air you breathe. It is in your scenery. Your scenery is well behaved. It is there in regular order. The leaves are in regular order. The atmosphere in Philadelphia constitutes an environment to which it is a pleasure to live up.

I want you to make allowances for the conditions under which we work. In the first place, the Governor lives in a town so small that we haven't even aspired to a Main Street, and we are so unsophisticated that we look forward with eagerness to the appearance of "The Covered Wagon" shortly.

Incidentally, I may mention that we have no domestic help problems, because we have no help. We do our own work.

I don't mean to say for one minute that this condition is general in Nebraska, but it is the environment in which most of our Alumnae members grew up, and from which they were later sent to school.

Omaha, of course, is our metropolis, where I meet my chairmen as often as possible, practically once a month during the last two years. I want you to understand that, so that you can make allowances for the figures I have to present.

In the efforts to reach any goal, the most difficult steps are those taken during the formative period, because they are largely experimental, and often hazardous. We have written uncounted letters, and used sheaves of stationery, but the practical results seem meagre. Perhaps the most encouraging effort is the reviving of the already existing Alumnae Association, the impetus it gives to each association toward working for the Association.

Personal contact is the thing that is needed. I have found that to be infinitely more effective than correspondence. Correspondence is the letter of your message, but not the spirit of the message.

Pennsylvania has seven times the population of Nebraska, Philadelphia one and a half times its population, but, you know, our State is very great. In meeting my chairmen and making trips to different Alumnae Associations, I have covered a distance equivalent to that across the continent. It was necessary to meet them, as I say, because we found letters ineffective. Then, we addressed different Alumnae organizations upon their request, and the amount of space we covered and the amount of money we expended was more than justified by the results achieved.

Immediately upon appointment to the office we proceeded to show the various chairmanships the organization's method of functioning. Mrs. Devine has men-

tioned several things in connection with her work that I had thought to mention about mine, but, the conditions being similar, I will not repeat them. The figures I have to submit are as follows:

Immediately upon my appointment, as I say, we appointed twelve chairmen for the different Bureaus, and we have some 24 or 25 Associations, quite a few of these not yet having organized Alumnae Associations, but we have federated four new ones last year, making just about half the number there will be ultimately, we hope. We established a press hour in five Alumnae Associations. We have 17 members assigned in the social service department. We didn't do anything specifically under the Federation Departments because our chairmen have been elected so recently, but we work in coöperation with the Christ Child's Society during Lent.

We have but two State Circles, one in Dawson, and one in Hastings, and I mention Dawson because that is the same small town I spoke of, and we have seven members in our Circle there.

The aim of that Circle is just as big as is the aim of the Brooklyn State Circle. These seven members will see to it that one Catholic book of reference is donated each year to our parochial schools, and in Hastings they have taken up the Braille work and established Catholic reading hour during their meetings.

We have a donation of \$13 to the National Shrine from the St. Francis Association of Columbus, \$25 for the Educational Fund from the Mercy Alumnae, and \$10 for the Braille Fund from the Mercy Alumnae, this practically unsolicited, so there is no telling what we will do when we really begin to solicit.

I very much hope that I am not exciting your amusement at Nebraska. We do not aim to amuse, we want to startle you.

Subscriptions to the Bulletin number 70; new ones 17, renewals 14.

We have two approvals of the hierarchy in Nebraska. I have written to the newly-installed Bishop of our diocese, but have not had time to hear from him.

A girl of the Mercy Alumnae won first prize offered by the State in the contest, the terms of which were to take the best essay on the outstanding features of our Constitution.

A Mercy girl and a girl of St. Francis Alumnae at O'Neill won first prize in two different districts. This was for Catholics and non-Catholics.

A Mercy Nun delivered an address at the meeting at Des Moines some weeks back on study clubs. I understand the paper was so well received that a priest at the speaker's table requested that a motion be made that the paper be circularized among all the Catholic organizations.

The report of Nebraska on the Scholarship Fund is nil.

I believe that is about all I have to say on the matter of figures, and on the theory that misery loves company, I was very much pleased with some of these reports that were apologetic as to figures, but not apologetic in the enthusiasm in which they took up their work and decided to go on with it.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Miss Juliette C. Pariseau, Governor

Before submitting the report I wish to explain why New Hampshire has been silent on so many questions. For several months we have had no Governor as our former Governor, Miss Anna Blanche Murphy, is now living in London, England. The present Governor was appointed about one week ago, and therefore the report is very incomplete. We have three affiliated Associations in the Chapter, and all eligible associations affiliated. No report has been received from Sacred Heart Alumnae Association or from Les Anciennes Eleves de Jesus-Marie. This leaves only the report of St. Mary's Alumnae, Hookset, Sisters of Mercy. Owing to the smallness of the New Hampshire Chapter we have not been able to carry out completely the aims of the Federation although the work done so far seems to give fair promise. We have four Social Service workers and a small Braille Class. Our largest and oldest circle has promoted the study of Catholic Literature, and we hope to establish Catholic Literary Clubs in all circles of the chapter. Keeping in mind a suggestion of the Federation, we succeeded in securing as lecturer two of the leading Catholics in public life, Senator David I. Walsh of Massachusetts, and John H. Fahey, President of the United States Chamber of Commerce. During the past year \$5,263.81 has been raised for the Chapel Fund of Mt. St. Mary's, Hookset, by the Alumnae.

NEW JERSEY

Miss Catherine A. Cleary, Governor

Since the last Biennial Convention of the New Jersey State Chapter of the I. F. C. A. has held two successful annual State Conventions in Newark, N. J.,

and several meetings of the State Council at the call of the Governor. The devotion of First Saturday Communion has been promoted in Georgian Court College Alumnae, formerly Mount Saint Mary's Alumnae, and the chairman expects other affiliated associations to extend the devotion after their Fall meetings. In Saint Elizabeth's College and Georgian Court College courses in Scout leadership have been given and certificates granted to large classes in both instances. As a result some of these girls have engaged in Camp-work during the Summer months. Two approvals of the extension of Federation work have been obtained, one from the Bishop of the Trenton diocese and one from the Bishop of the Newark diocese. One association has been added to the Federation—Saint Aloysius' Academy Alumnae of Jersey City, N. J. Subscription to the Federation Fund and contributions to the Scholarship Fund are to be acted on at the Fall meeting of the Alumnae, most of which are held in November. The State Chairman of Braille has taken and completed a course in this work. The State Chairman of Literature has distributed many pledge cards for the reading of Catholic books and literature.

NEW YORK

Mrs. Victor L. Zimmerman, Governor

There are forty-six Associations affiliated with the New York Chapter. Eighteen have been affiliated during the past fifteen months. The Chapter has completed its quota for the Scholarship Fund. The effort of the Chapter to establish the First Saturday Communion Day has met with hearty response. On the General Communion Day of May, 1923, 500 members received at the hands of His Grace, Archbishop Hayes at St. Patrick's Cathedral, and at the last Annual Communion of the Brooklyn Circle 175 members received. The Buffalo Chapter Committee has also been most active. The New York Circle was formed in November, Mrs. Joseph Slevin, Jr., Regent. The Kenwood Braille Club, Miss Mary King, Chairman, was formed by the Circle in 1923. A Card Party was held by this group and \$600 realized for Braille transcription. The Manhattanville Alumnae, under the leadership of Mrs. Joseph Ryan, rolled up a total of \$1,185,000 for their Foundation Fund. A Social Service Class was organized at Fordham University. Wonderful work has been accomplished at the Barrett Settlement House by the Sacred Heart Alumnae. After the resignation of the Acting Regent because of illness, Miss Mary Elizabeth Brennan, First Vice-Regent, was appointed to succeed her. The First Annual Mass and Communion of the New York Circle was held October 11, 1924, by His Eminence, Cardinal Hayes. The Buffalo Circle was organized in May, 1924, with Mrs. William J. Daetsch as Regent, and affiliation of nine associations. An Organization Dinner was held at the Buffalo Athletic Club, June 5, 1924, with 700 women in attendance, Right Rev. Bishop Turner presided, and Mrs. James J. Sheeran, Co-Founder, was the Guest of Honor. The First Annual Mass and Communion, followed by breakfast and business meeting was held Sunday, October 12, 1924. The Circle now includes 12 of the 13 eligible associations of Buffalo, and has a membership of 2,000. Brooklyn Circle, Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, Regent, has a membership of 500 active members, and every association in Brooklyn affiliated with the Federation. The annual plan of Brooklyn Circle includes: Communion Mass, Breakfast and Business Meeting, Classes for Volunteer Braille Transcribers, three evenings a week, with an average attendance of 80 members a week. Lecture Course, with one lecture a month, financing two perpetual scholarships at St. Joseph's College, Brooklyn, one known as the Bishop Molloy and the other as the Clara D. Sheeran Scholarships. A Tea and Reception for the Graduating Classes is held each year. The Circle inaugurated a drive for books for the library of St. Joseph's College, Brooklyn, and with an Automobile Collection Committee, in two weeks collected 7,200 volumes. The Circle's Chairman of the Blind compiled a list of 500 Catholic Blind in Brooklyn, which is to be divided among the alumnae associations for social service work this year. Miss Alma Slane taught Braille Classes three evenings a week. The Brooklyn Circle stands ready to supply any Catholic Student of the city with text books in Braille. The Circle presented \$100 to the Scholarship Fund of the National Catholic Service School, and \$100 to the general treasury of the Federation.

OHIO

Mrs. W. M. Duane, Governor

The Ohio Chapter has 24 affiliated Associations. Our Lady's Summit, Cincinnati, having affiliated since the last Convention. At the Fifth Biennial State

Convention held in Dayton in October, 1923, the Notre Dame de Namur Alumnae was hostess. Our President, Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, was the guest of honor. St. Mary's of the Springs and St. Aloysius Alumnae were hostesses at a dinner at the Chittenden Hotel, Columbus, in honor of the Executive Board which met in that city, January, 1923. Five hundred and twenty-one Bulletin Subscriptions and eight Advertisements have been reported. Sixteen contestants, representing five schools, entered the Essay Contest. Two new colleges, the Ursuline College, Cleveland, and St. Mary's of the Springs, Columbus, have been opened. The Sisters of Mercy have opened a new Academy at Westwood. A Catholic School has been established at Ontario, California, by Mrs. Benjamin Waldatsel, an alumna of Springer Institute, Cincinnati. The Poly-Convent group of the Cleveland provided a Braille Typewriter for the use of a Carmelite of the Cleveland convent, who has transcribed two books. This group also contributed \$100 to the Xavier Publication Society. Miss Mary Baker of Mt. Notre Dame Alumnae, Reading, assembles a monthly magazine for the blind, issued by the Lion's Club, Cincinnati. The Cleveland Circle gives religious instruction to the deaf and dumb children of the city, and interested in the institution for delinquent girls at Warrensville. The Cincinnati Circle have as their special charge the children attending the School for Crippled Children at the City Hospital, and have also taken over the work of the Civic and Vocational League in the Parochial Schools, five members being sponsors, and one sponsor at large. Five hundred and twenty-seven articles of clothing and \$55 in cash were turned over to the National Needlework Guild by Mrs. Henry Luders, a sectional President, whose unit is listed in the Guild as the Cincinnati Circle of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae. The Cincinnati has been instrumental in bringing about, with the sanction of His Grace, the Most Reverend Archbishop, a permanent standardized physical education program in all parochial schools of the city. One hundred and ten thousand four hundred and four pieces of literature have been sent to missions during 1922-1924 by St. Aloysius Alumnae, New Lexington. The St. Joseph's Alumnae, Cleveland, sent two carloads of food and clothing to the sufferers in the Lorraine tornado. Would that we had time to give in detail an account of the splendid work being done by each association, of scholarships established, building funds raised, and of all their noble generosity to their Alma Mater. Each good work done by them reflects glory upon the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, whose emblem they so proudly wear.

OREGON

Mrs. Lucia B. Gilhousen, Governor

I very much regret that Oregon's activity in the affairs of the I. F. C. A. has been so slight as to make a report almost impossible. Though there are 11 eligible associations in our State, only 1, St. Mary's College and Academy, Portland, is affiliated. Of the remaining associations 7 are under the direction of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, but the Alumnae membership is so small, the schools so widely scattered, that it has been impossible to find a woman with time, means and ability to devote to the organization of these schools into a Chapter. However, it is my earnest desire, and intention upon my return to Oregon, to take up the matter of affiliation, and I hope that our representative at the 1926 Convention will be prepared to offer a report of which, not only Oregon, but the I. F. C. A. will be proud. We have not been able to collect our subscriptions to the Educational Fund, but we have paid our quota to the Scholarship Fund for the National Catholic Service School. I would like to explain that our lack of co-operation with the enterprises sponsored by the Federation is due to the fact that every possible effort is being made by the alumnae of St. Mary's to raise funds for the building of a new college and academy on the heights, overlooking Portland, to replace the old and inadequate building in the heart of the city's business section. On Tuesday, October 21, 1924, St. Mary's celebrates its sixty-fifth birthday. There are 64 in the 1925 Class of the High School and 31 in the College graduating Class. In view of Oregon's now famous legislation against private schools, you will see that a larger building is not only advisable but imperative. As Oregon has comparatively few Catholics, and there is not great wealth among the Catholic laity of Portland, the great expense of building will rest upon the Order of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary and upon their loyal Alumnae. We feel that in helping our Alma Mater we are carrying on the real work of this Federation, the spreading of Catholic Education in a field which has a great need of it.

OKLAHOMA

Miss Florence Jobe, Governor

Oklahoma's report is a brief one. During the last year letters have been sent to fifteen schools extending an invitation to join the Federation. Four replies were received. Some of the schools have no Alumnae, but one has promised to form an association. It is our intention to write again to the schools, and it is hoped the second attempt will bring good results.

PENNSYLVANIA

Miss T. Florence Close, Governor

There are twenty-eight affiliated Associations in Pennsylvania. Return postal cards, with letter and application blank, have been mailed to the thirteen eligible Associations unaffiliated. The amount collected for the Scholarship to the National Catholic Service School was \$55.00. Advertisements in the Bulletin totalled \$362.00. The number of Bulletin Subscriptions was 402. There were sixty-eight entrants in the Essay Contest. The judges for which were Miss Agnes Repplier and Miss Katherine Brégy. A lecture on the "Women's Rights Amendment" was given by Rev. Charles L. O'Brien, S.J., and course in parliamentary law were undertaken by the Chapter and the Pittsburgh Circle. Notices of all Chapter events appeared regularly in the daily press and in the "Catholic Standard and Times." The Press Chairman was responsible for this paper, establishing a "Stage and Screen" column. Regular monthly meetings of the Executive Board and State Chairmen were held at the various affiliated Convents, the Superior saying the opening prayer, and the Sessions closing with Benediction. The Alumnae Saturday Holy Communion has been established by pulpit announcements in the parish churches of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, and by pledges obtained from the graduating classes. The Chapter Chairman of autographed books obtained 101 volumes for the Sister College, among these being an autographed copy of "Climbs on Alpine Peaks" by Our Holy Father, Pius XI., and another from President Coolidge. Four Braille Centers have been working in the Chapter: Philadelphia (classes held at the Convent of Notre Dame de Namur), Eden Hall Convent of the Sacred Heart, Villa Maria College, and the Harrisburg Braille Club, associated with the Kenwood Center. The Pittsburgh Circle contributed \$50.00 to the Proofreading Fund and the Philadelphia Center, \$100.00. It is impossible in the limited time allotted to report all the works of charity and social service performed by members of the affiliated Alumnae. All the activities outlined by the Social Service Department have been followed. Among the social events of the Chapter were the Luncheon at Mt. St. Joseph's Convent, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia, May, 1923, in honor of our President, Mrs. Benzinger; Tea at the Musical Art Club, Philadelphia, December, 1923; Breakfast at Notre Dame de Namur Academy, Philadelphia, May, 1924, and Luncheon at Green Hill Farms, Overbrook, on the same day, and the annual card parties at the Ambassador Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J. To the Superiors, Federation Sisters, Alumnae Presidents, State Chairmen and members of the Executive Board of the State Chapter and to Mrs. Benzinger and members of the International Executive Board, grateful acknowledgment is due for their co-operation and assistance, without which this report could not have been possible. To the Chapter's holy patrons, The Holy Ghost, Our Lady Immaculate and Saint Therese of the Child Jesus we offer grateful thanksgiving.

RHODE ISLAND

Mrs. Robert F. Jones, Governor

Rhode Island is small in square miles but vast in its appreciation of Catholic Education. Our Right Rev. Bishop William A. Hickey is leaving no effort untried in furthering the establishment of Catholic High Schools. This, of course, points towards a much larger representation in the I. F. C. A. in the near future. Four Associations are affiliated, St. Mary's, Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame, Elmhurst, Religious of the Sacred Heart, St. Mary's, Bayview, and St. Xavier's, Providence, Sisters of Mercy. The Bayview Alumnae observed the Golden Jubilee of its Alma Mater last June, one of the features of the celebration being the erection on the grounds of a beautiful marble statue of Our Blessed

Lady, and the presentation of a purse of \$1,500. St. Xavier's felt particularly honored to have Miss Mary Waterman's essay in the Bulletin Contest awarded Honorable Mention. Another source of pride was that the Bulletin devoted a whole page to a quotation from the Academy Year Book, "The Xavier." St. Francis Xavier's has formed a Braille Class and a Parliamentary Law Class. The Elmhurst Alumnae have formed a successful Braille Class. They have also succeeded in having Catholic books placed in a number of public libraries, have sent aid to their sister convent in Tokio, Japan, after the earthquake. There is within the narrow borders of our little State, a very sincere interest in the work of the I. F. C. A. Our response to the Bulletin suggestions will, without doubt, confirm this statement. Let us hope that one day the I. F. C. A. will feel that Rhode Island is not too small a place in which to hold a Convention.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Miss Josephine Kerr, Governor

No report.

TENNESSEE

Miss Evalyne Howington, Governor

The Tennessee Chapter has five affiliated associations. Three associations are eligible but not affiliated. Alumnae associations in these schools have not yet been formed. The Chapter reports 64 subscriptions and 7 Bulletin Advertisements. The sum of \$25 was subscribed to the Educational Fund. The five affiliated schools entered the Essay Contest. The State prize in the first contest was won by Miss Agnes McGough, St. Agnes Academy, Memphis, and in the second by Miss Rose Gorman, St. Cecelia's Academy, Nashville. State Chairmen were appointed and Federation work, as far as possible under conditions in the State, was carried on. The Memphis City Circle and the Alumnae of Notre Dame, Chattanooga, have begun the study of Braille. The Chairman on location of Catholic Blind reports four Catholic children located in Tennessee School for the Blind. Music Clubs have been formed by Memphis and Chattanooga City Circles. Memphis Circle has a Department of Civics through which lectures on timely subjects have been given. The State has been surveyed according to the suggestion of the Chairman of Girls' Welfare. The Nashville Circle works with the local Florence Crittendon Home, when called on by the President, who is a member of St. Cecelia's Alumnae. The Memphis Circle has organized and equipped a Scout Troop at the St. Peter's Orphanage, Memphis. Blind children at the Tennessee Schools for the Blind are taken to Mass each Sunday by the Nashville Alumnae. Sixty pledge cards were signed and sent to the Chairman of the Department of Literature. The Press Hour is established in St. Bernard's Academy, Nashville, and St. Agnes Academy, Memphis. The Nashville City Circle has an active Literary Club. Its chief study for 1923-1924 was the Bible, and the program for 1924-1925 included a survey of Church History. A class in Story Telling is taught by a member of the Memphis Circle. Miss Nora Crimmins, Notre Dame Alumnae, is not only librarian of the Chattanooga Public Library but also an officer in the American Library Association. Tennessee needs the Federation and hopes at the Seventh Biennial Convention to make such a report that the Federation will need Tennessee.

TEXAS

Mrs. Charles J. Schneider, Governor

It is a pleasure indeed to announce that the Texas Chapter has made great strides during the past few years, especially in Braille. Father Joseph J. Coffey, Lampasas, our Chaplain, has visited all the federated schools and has succeeded in bringing volunteers in this wonderful work. Through the efforts of our Civic Chairman clubs have been established in the various associations to prepare for responsibilities of citizenship. Just such a work, emphasized by the Federation, was the means of turning the tide in a recent city election and winning the anti-Klan ticket. Quite a few Girls' Scout Clubs are being organized. Texas went over the top in the Subscription for the Scholarship Fund at the National Catholic Service School. Seven of the associations have adopted First Saturday Communion. We now have nineteen members, a gain of seven since the last Convention. Our second annual meeting, held last May in Galveston, was most

successful. An inspiring feature of the session was the cablegram read by Right Rev. C. E. Byrne, Bishop of Galveston, tendering the blessing of Pope Pius XI. Too much cannot be said about the splendid spirit of loyalty and co-operation that permeated the meeting of our Texas Chapter. With this in mind I see great possibilities for the various activities of the Federation in our State.

VERMONT

Miss Anna McCavet, Governor

Like our sister State New Hampshire, Vermont's Governor has held office less than a week. She is pleased to report that we have three eligible associations, all affiliated with the Federation. Mt. St. Mary's Alumnae, Burlington, have donated \$2,000 on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee of their Alma Mater in 1923, the fund to be used for the new building of the High School Department. Mt. St. Joseph's, Rutland, contributed \$2,500 for their Golden Jubilee which occurred this year. Villa Barlow, St. Albans, is a new member, having been organized in 1923 and affiliated in June, 1924. They have donated \$200 to the Convent Library. All three associations are active in Social Service in connection with Parish Organizations. They have founded nine scholarships at High Schools, Colleges, and Universities.

VIRGINIA

Miss Marie E. Rankin, Governor

The Chapter has ten affiliated associations. Three associations are eligible but not affiliated. The amount contributed to the Educational Fund was \$334, and the quota of \$40 for the Scholarship of the National Catholic Service School, was subscribed. Bulletin Subscription doubled in the past year, numbering 119 in 1924. Nine Bulletin Advertisements were inserted by three associations. Sixteen entered the Essay Contest, the State prizes being won by Miss Catherine Zoe LaCoppidan of St. Joseph's Academy, Portsmouth, and Miss Catherine Davis, St. Joseph's Academy, Portsmouth. The sum of \$25 was contributed to the furnishing of National Headquarters at Washington. In March, 1917, to our joy came the announcement in the Bulletin that a Virginia girl, Miss Catherine Zoe La-Coppidan, St. Joseph's Academy, Portsmouth, had won the International Essay Contest for 1924 on the subject "The Good and Bad in Modern Dress." In the Department of Education the associations have made splendid progress. Many religious vocations were reported among the various Alumnae. Four members of one association again volunteered their services in a little country school in North Carolina under Catholic auspices, and this number was augmented by two recruits from another association. Braille classes have been formed in Portsmouth and Norfolk under the direction of Mrs. Everett Hewitt. The Alumnae associations assisted in a three day Exhibit of the work of the Blind held in Richmond, with the result that the Legislature granted a request for an appropriation of \$10,000 for the education of the Blind, and separated the School for the Blind from that of the Deaf and Dumb. The Bureau of Parliamentary Law reports every association taking advantage of classes. The Bureau of Music reports formation of Orchestras and Choral Societies, and presentation of two operettas. The Social Service Work of the Chapter has included the donation of \$1,000 by one Alumnae for playgrounds at the Orphan's Home at Hollybrook, ten children fitted out for First Communion by the sewing guild of an association, relief in form of food and clothing sent by two associations to the sufferers in Germany, serving of hot lunches to school children by another alumnae, arranging of an excursion to Yorktown for orphans, through the generosity of the Pilot's Association. Under the Department of Literature, lectures were given by Mr. Frederick Paulding by two Literary Guilds of Richmond. Two permanent dramatic societies, The Catholic Little Theatre, composed of five associations of Richmond, and the Tidewater Catholic Players of Norfolk, have been formed. We have a very active Motion Picture Bureau, which has secured through the Wells Amusement Company lists of approved pictures issued by the National Board of Review, and copies of these monthly lists have been mailed to all Associations. Complaints were also registered during the year with exhibitors about some of the pictures shown. Alumnae Saturday Communion has received our Bishop's approval and he has given permission for pulpit announcements in the diocese.

UTAH

Mrs. P. J. O'Carroll, Governor

No report.

WASHINGTON

Mrs. F. J. Pressley, Governor

No report.

WEST VIRGINIA

Miss Elizabeth Lewis Logan, Governor

West Virginia has five Alumnae Associations. Two associations are eligible but not affiliated. Every effort is being made to have these associations join the Federation. The State meeting was held in Parkersburg, June 12 and 13, 1924, with delegates from three associations attending. Chairmen have been appointed in various departments. Study Clubs in these Associations are very active, one having 500 members. One Association, to stimulate interest in the Federation, presented each graduate in the 1924 Class with a subscription to the Bulletin. Supplies have been sent to their sisters in Europe by two associations to the amount of \$3,000. A scholarship of \$10,000 was completed by one association. Our Junior Departments do much Mission Work, \$3,100 was raised in one school last year. In another a Tea was given for the benefit of Negro and Indian Missions. We have centered our work in this year in spreading the aims of the Federation, but have planned many activities for the coming year, which we hope will win a name for West Virginia.

WISCONSIN

Mrs. Edward G. Paine, Governor

Wisconsin perfected organization March, 1923, with six Associations holding membership. Since that time St. Mary's Alumnae, Milwaukee, has affiliated. The Governor has endeavored by letters and personal solicitation to interest all other eligible associations. Five associations are eligible but not affiliated. The amount collected for the Educational Fund was \$31 and for the Scholarship at the National Catholic Service School, \$20. It is impossible to estimate the number of Bulletin Subscriptions. There were 3 Advertisements in the Bulletin. In the Essay Contest three members were entered. With one exception the associations comprising the Wisconsin Chapter are alumnae of boarding schools, consequently the members are widely scattered through the United States and other countries. This condition makes work as organized units that would be representative of the entire Chapter. The following outline gives indication of the work done by associations, groups of alumnae, and individuals. In the field of Education, Alumnae associations maintain scholarships and assist in raising building funds, serve as teachers of Christian Doctrine in co-operation with the Catholic Instruction League. The State Chairman of Parliamentary Law gives lectures on that subject in affiliated schools. Alumnae members assisted in classification of professional and Business Women. Two Braille centers established, one at St. Mary's College, Prairie du Chien, and one in Milwaukee. Alumnae arranged for lectures in Civics for the Religious in Convents previous to Election. The Governor represents the Chapter in Wisconsin Legislative Council where study is made of all pending legislation. In Social Service Department, Alumnae co-operated with Big Sisters Association. The Governor serves on Board of Directors of Big Brother and Sister Organizations, the Travelers' Aid Society, and the Archdiocesan Council of the Catholic Women of the National Council of Catholic Women. The State Chairman of Social Service is active in the work of the Medical Dispensary Clinic of Marquette University, Milwaukee. The State Chairman of Girl Scouts is one of the most successful leaders in the movement in the State. She lectured on the work in the affiliated schools, encouraging Alumnae and Students to take training to qualify themselves for leadership. She was chairman of all Scout Captains in a drive for funds. She is permanent Chairman of Scout captains in her home city, Milwaukee, and is serving on the Camp Committee. Leaflets of the Department of Literature were distributed and book lists published in local papers and Catholic School journals. An alumna, an authority on literature, lectured in affiliated schools. Three students entered the Essay Contest. Due to the fact that most of the welfare

agencies in Wisconsin receive financial support from the Centralized Budget of Philanthropies, the Chapter has undertaken no organized charity work. Alumnae show their active interest and exert their influence on civic affairs by co-operating with existing organizations and serving on Boards of agencies that expend public funds.

CANADA

NEW BRUNSWICK

Mrs. Joseph E. McMurray, Governor

The New Brunswick Chapter includes the Alumnae Associations of St. Vincent's High School, St. John, and St. Michael's Academy, Chatham. Detailed reports have been forwarded to the International Chairmen of the Departments of the Federation. The following is a synopsis of the activities of the two affiliated Associations since the last convention. Under the Department of Education St. Vincent's reports the \$100 scholarship established by the Alumnae was won by Miss Mary Crilley, who also won the Alumnae Gold and the City Ellis Gold Medal for highest standing in Matriculation Examinations. In 1924 the Alumnae Scholarship and Medal and the Corporation Gold Medal were won by Miss Mildred O'Brien, who won the Lord Beaverbrook Four Year Scholarship awarded to the graduate of City High Schools making highest marks in matriculation examinations. St. Vincent's also promoted the Essay Contest and offered prizes. They contributed \$5.00 to the Scholarship of the I. F. C. A. Scholarship Fund. Seven members attended Provincial Normal School, an instructive lecture on Rome was given by Miss E. McInerney, a booth was maintained at the Cathedral Fair for the fund for the new School, physical culture classes were formed, six members assisted in Public Playgrounds as teachers; 100 per cent. Bulletin Subscriptions were obtained. St. Michael's Alumnae offered prizes for highest averages in matriculation, which were won by Miss Margaret Holt, Miss Carmel Losier and Miss Margaret Cassidy. Miss Marcella Bohan of St. Michael's was accredited with International Honorable Mention in the Bulletin Essay Contest in 1923. Miss Kathleen Hayes and Miss Marie Walsh of St. Michael's have received degrees from St. Francis Xavier University, Antigonish. The record of St. Vincent's in Social Service is as follows: Donations annually to Public Health Center, Babies Free Milk Fund, Christmas Empty Stocking Fund, garments made and sent to Infant's Home, local organizations assisted on Tag Days, Co-operation with Catholic Women's League in Girls' Welfare League Work in which disbursements of \$2,232.49 were made, the fund being raised by St. Vincent's in conjunction with other organizations. St. Michael's Alumnae have co-operated in works of charity and social service with the Hospital Aid, Catholic Women's League, Ladies Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and the Sodality of the Children of Mary. Both St. Vincent's and St. Michael's Alumnae observe the First Saturday Communion, and made the Novena of Reparation to the Blessed Virgin suggested by the Federation. The Catholic Press Hour is established by St. Michael's Alumnae. In presenting this brief survey of the work of our zealous committees and the co-operation of our members, we extend sincere thanks to the members of the Executive Board of the I. F. C. A. and to our Canadian Trustee, for the encouragement and inspiration always given. With fraternal good wishes to our sister organizations in the Federation, we close our Convention Reports, praying that the smile of Mary, Our Model, may light the path of every devoted Alumna, and that success may attend the Convention in all its deliberation.

NOVA SCOTIA

Dr. Margaret C. MacDonald, Governor

Nova Scotia has three affiliated associations. One Association is eligible but not affiliated. No contributions to the Educational and Scholarship Funds are available at present. Bulletin subscriptions number nine, and Bulletin Advertisements, one. There were no entrants in the Essay Contest. Through the activities concerning their particular areas the affiliated associations are co-operating in loyal manner with the spirit of Federation work and interests. Literary, Dramatic, Hospital Visiting, Sewing, and Charitable Circles obtain. The devotion of the First Saturday Communion has been established. Chairmen have

been appointed for many of the Bureaus. The question of federating the Province is under consideration and it seems safe to assume accomplishment in the near future. A notable feature of the work of Mt. St. Vincent's Alumnae was the gift of \$1,000 on the occasion of the Golden Jubilee. The sum was utilized for a new Library. This Association also contributes largely to the needs of St. Joseph's Orphanage, provides Christmas toys, awards two five dollar gold pieces as prizes for class proficiency, arranges interesting and instructive debates and lectures under its Literary Circle, and organized an orchestra under its Committee on Music. This Alumnae was prominent in the entertainment of the Catholic Women's League of Canada when that organization convened at Halifax in 1923. St. Bernard's Alumnae offered a Scholarship to its Alma Mater, donated prizes, presented a Radio Set, made a contribution to the Library Fund, and at present are making a special effort to awaken in pupils a special interest in Catholic Art. St. Patrick's Alumnae donated a stained glass window to the Convent Chapel, established a scholarship, furnished the High School Library. Their Literary Circle held Lectures and Readings, and the Dramatic Circle staged several plays. The Charity Circle supplied clothing and books to needy children of Catholic Schools, gave substantial hampers to the destitute at Christmas, and contributed \$100 to the Orphanage Fund. The genuinely congenial comradeship of the members of the Nova Scotia Chapter is indicated by their social activities including Dances, Theatre and Bridge Parties, Skating, Skiing and Tobogganing. The Chapter has 100 per cent. representation at this Convention, having a delegate from each affiliated association, an alternate, and two Federation Sisters.

ONTARIO

Mrs. Edmund P. Kelly, Governor

The first meeting of the Ontario Chapter was held at Loretto Convent, Mt. St. Mary, Hamilton, November 25, 1922, at which reports of Chapter Officers, and Presidents of affiliated Alumnae were read. The Governor attended the National Conference on Education and Citizenship of the National Council of Education in Toronto April 3, 1923. A report of the Conference was compiled and mailed to the nine affiliated associations of the Chapter. In June, 1923, the Governor was asked to serve as Toronto representative on National Committee on Education of the Catholic Women's League of Canada. The Toronto Circle was organized September 13, 1923, with the sanction and approval of His Grace, Archbishop Neil McNeil. The first biennial Convention of the Chapter was held at the Convent of the Congregation of Notre Dame, Gloucester St., Ottawa, October 23-24, 1923. His Grace, Archbishop Emard opened the Convention, and expressed his approval of the work in a short address following the celebration of Mass. All organized alumnae associations of Ontario are now affiliated in the Chapter. Miss Margaret Gordon, Chairman of Social Service, reports that a great field has been covered by the Catholic Big Sisters, which includes many of our members. Mrs. W. B. Milne, as Historian, reports an excellently compiled resume of the Chapter Work. Mrs. Clifford Bell, Chairman, reports that the First Saturday Communion has been difficult for some of the members owing to mothers having children at home from school that day. Mrs. Robert Devine, International Trustee for Canada, was the speaker at the luncheon given by the hostess alumnae during the Convention. Dr. Anna T. Sadlier and Dr. Amyot, Deputy Minister of Health for Canada, addressed the Convention. Reports of the various Alumnae read by the Presidents revealed in every instance great advance along the lines of Federation endeavor. An evening reception was held at the Rideau Street Convent, Ottawa, at which Archbishop Emard delivered an eloquent and appropriate address. Mrs. J. A. McKenna, President, D'Youville Alumnae, and Madame A. Belanger, President, Cercle Francais, D'Youville Alumnae, extended a gracious welcome. The Governor read a paper on "Modern Methods of Education." At the meeting of the Executive Board of the Chapter held in Toronto, February 8, 1924, the Governor was hostess at luncheon. Guests of Honor were Miss Mary M. Murphy, Editor, Miss Manser of the Bureau of Appointments of the Alumni Federation, University of Toronto, and the Misses Agnes Lee, Margaret Ross and Margaret Thompson, winners of first and second Bulletin Essay Contest.

QUEBEC

Miss Lillian McCabe, Governor

No report.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1924

MORNING SESSION

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Mrs. Mary B. Finan, A.B., First Vice-President, presiding

Prayer by Sister M. Colombo, Halifax, N. S.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Mary B. Finan, A.B.

The Department of Education has been functioning for the past eight years or more, and its general plan of activities and method of operation have received the best thought and careful consideration of its past chairmen, as also the loyal co-operation of its several bureaus.

On assuming the duties of chairman two years ago I carefully reviewed all the reports of the department and determined to make no radical changes. I wished to profit by past experience and to have the volume of work in each bureau increased. The changes made in the outline of the department work have either enlarged its scope or made the work more definite.

The chairman of each bureau was given the greatest possible freedom in developing her work, but she always kept in close touch with the department, thus preventing any conflicting instructions being issued by the department and the bureau. The same system was aimed at in the States and Provinces, and where it was developed the work has been successful and the reports are fine.

The achievements of each Bureau will be reported by the chairman. I shall only tell of the work of the department in general.

Every effort has been made to have the department 100 per cent. active. About seven thousand leaflets have been mailed to the Governors and the State and Province chairmen with a request that each alumnae chairman be supplied with a copy. Four letters and one postal card have been sent to each Governor requesting the appointment of bureau chairmen.

Over five hundred letters were sent to the Federation Sisters and it is our greatest pride, comfort and encouragement to say that 99 per cent. have co-operated.

It would be difficult to over-estimate the importance of the Federation Sister. She is the connecting link between the alumnae and the school, and represents to us the great teaching orders of the Church. She also represents the principles and ideals that are the most precious of human possessions.

The Department of Education feels that it has work for almost every alumna. In some one of its bureaus is a suitable place where the cultured convent woman can satisfy her desire to help others or to benefit herself.

Education is not completed on graduation day—it implies a long and intensive application to study if we would exercise the power of our own ability and develop our own character. It is one of the great problems confronting this nation and all other nations, and fortunately, a great many of the misunderstandings against Catholic and other religious schools are fast disappearing. People are beginning to see that the parish school is in thorough accord with the spirit and progress of the country and the highest ideals of citizenship.

The world is beginning to realize that religion gives an entirely different atmosphere to a school. The horizon of the school, in which religion receives recognition, is larger, vaster and touched with celestial fire, the various topics are invested with a new interest and an added charm, the teacher, even of secular subjects, assumes a more spiritual charter. Study and research take on the nature of a sublime duty and partake of the distinction of worship, for God is the truth. Every advance of knowledge helps us towards some new glimpse of divine beauty. The teaching of religion does not make for indifference towards secular branches of learning. Leading writers and eminent citizens admit that in order to develop a stalward, honest, high-minded citizenship, religion should be injected into the education of youth. The Federation watch-word—"Every Catholic child in a Catholic school"—should become more and more the watch-word of each individual alumna.

As in all great movements the beginning is hard. We must as it were, cut paths through dense forests, build our log-cabins to provide shelter and be distributing stations; gather about us fearless soldiers who are not easily discouraged by the attacks of the enemy, and persevere until the clearing is reached.

The Department of Education has gone through that period. It is now well organized, it is out of the shadow, well into the light. It has much to offer the

willing worker because the Bureau Chairmen, our loyal soldiers, have worked most intelligently, faithfully and successfully. I cannot say too much in appreciation of the splendid co-operation the department has received.

The State and Province chairmen have labored to increase interest in the activities of the department and I wish to express again my appreciation of their untiring work. The Bureau reports will give credit to each State and Province reporting its work.

Communications have been many and subject matter varied, but all letters (over 1,800) have been answered and filed.

I have attended all Executive Board meetings, seven State conventions and many City Circle gatherings. Several Alumnae Associations have been gracious in their invitations to attend their annual meetings and to speak at their luncheons or banquets, and where distance has not been too great I have been glad to represent the I. F. C. A.

During Mrs. Benzinger's absence from the States I was afforded an additional opportunity of learning how heavy is the work of her office, and my wonder grew and grew that one member could carry such a burden.

Our Executive Secretary has always been most helpful whenever called upon for information.

As the detailed reports are read, please note the points suggestive to you for your special Alumnae Association, and carry the message home to the sisters and the alumnae members. This will assure the continued success of the Department. Your enthusiasm will arouse the interest of the Association and bring it success. Its success will give joy to that noble body of Catholic teachers—God's elect—who have sacrificed all that the Master's lessons may be taught to the little children He loves so well. It will encourage anew those valiant women, our dear sisters, in their life of patient sacrifice, it will prove to them that we are aiming at the ideals they gave us, and helping to make it possible for others to enjoy the blessings we received from Alma Mater.

Catholic Education gives us an ideal. With it we can overcome all difficulties, surmount all obstacles. We can smile at misfortune knowing that we possess a precious heritage that no one can take from us. If we had nothing else from our Catholic Education this would be enough to make us appreciate our schools and be loyal to our Sisters.

One ship drives east, and another west
With the self-same winds that blow;
'Tis the set of the sails and not the gales,
Which decides the way to go.

Like the winds of the sea are the ways of fate,
As we journey along through life;
'Tis the will of the soul that decides the goal,
And not the calm or the strife.

BUREAU FOR THE BLIND

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BRAILLE TRANSCRIPTION EDUCATION OF CATHOLIC BLIND

Miss Clara L. Joyce, Chairman

The Bureau for the Blind reports that thirty State and Province Chairmen were appointed. Nine Governors reported that their Chapters were not ready at present to develop the work of this Bureau. Eight hundred leaflets, descrip-

tive of the work, were sent to State Chairmen in 1922-1923, and five hundred leaflets, a follow-up, were distributed in 1924.

Education of Catholic Blind aims to place Catholic blind children in Catholic schools, keeping them in the environment of home, surrounded by relatives and friends. The Sisters of the various Religious Orders are co-operating most generously. With a knowledge of Braille, they may accept blind children as pupils.

The blind profit by higher education. Ascertain what advantages for such education is offered by Catholic schools. Secure scholarships for the blind so that they may continue their studies under Catholic auspices.

Braille Transcription is stimulated by arousing our Alumnae to a realization of the tremendous need of Catholic literature for Catholic blind.

Establish Centers where instruction in Braille may be given by qualified instructors.

Interest volunteers who will devote part of their leisure to Braille transcription and thus help to build up the library for the blind of books by Catholic authors.

Convention Banners

- (1) To transcriber having the greatest number of pages on Braille writer:
Mrs. Walter J. Connor (3,270 pages), Braille Transcribers' Club,
Sacred Heart Convent, Detroit, Michigan.
- (2) The transcriber having the greatest number of pages on slate, 95 per cent perfect:
Miss Alma B. Slane (3,035 pages), St. James Academy Alumnae,
Brooklyn, New York.
- (3) The Center having the greatest number of graduates (17):
Kenwood Alumnae, Miss Helen Delehanty, President.
- (4) The Center, organized since the last convention, having the greatest number of graduates (15):
Louisville Braille Center, Mrs. L. B. Hardesty, Chairman.
- (5) The State Chapter raising the greatest sum for Free Proofreading:
New York Chapter, Mrs. Victor L. Zimmerman, Governor.
- (6) The Center raising the greatest sum to finance the Bureau for the Blind:
1922-1923—Brooklyn Circle, Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, Regent.
1924—Chicago Circle, Miss Margaret I. Maloney, Regent.
- (7) The State Chapter having the greatest number of Alumnae Associations as contributors to Free Proofreading:
Massachusetts Chapter, Miss Dora E. Clextton, Governor.
- (8) The Center having the greatest number of books plated:
Boston Center, Miss Mollie Fallon, Chairman.
- (9) The Center locating the greatest number of Blind:
Brooklyn Circle, Mrs. John Barry, Chairman, Location of Catholic Blind.

Take this report and read for yourself the unparalleled volunteer services of our Chairman, Instructors, Transcribers and Patronesses, in a work which includes within itself the three Departments of the I. F. C. A.—Education, Literature and Social Service.

General Totals for the Bureau for the Blind

Number of Centers	44
Number of transcribers graduated.....	77
At present transcribers graduated	192
Number of pages transcribed	40,860
Number of volumes	329
Number of books transcribed	187
Number of books plated	19
Number of Centers giving Entertainment to finance Bureau for the Blind:	
Brooklyn Circle, Chicago Circle	2
The Brooklyn Circle has the honor of financing the General Fund of the Bureau for the Blind. Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, Regent.	
This Report is printed through the generosity of Chicago Circle. Miss Margaret I. Maloney, Regent.	
Amount raised for Free Proofreading Fund	\$1,084.00
Amount raised for Plating of Editions	5,465.00
Amount raised for the Bureau for the Blind	465.75
Amount paid out by the Bureau for the Blind	459.78
Balance on Hand	5.97

CALIFORNIA

Miss Irene O'Neill, Chairman, 317 Windsor Boulevard, Los Angeles

Los Angeles Center represents three Alumnae Associations. Eight books, 2,065 pages of Braille. Twenty Dollars realized for Proofreading Fund. Ten blind persons located. Religious instruction provided for one and first Communion made. The University of Santa Clara, Santa Clara, Calif., has two blind students (boys). Notre Dame College, Belmont, Calif., willing to accept blind students (girls).

COLORADO

Miss Anna Fallon, Chairman, 1515 East 9th Avenue, Denver

Ten dollars contributed by Chapter to Free Proofreading Fund. Class in Braille at Loretto Heights College.

CONNECTICUT

The Governor, Mrs. M. A. Bailey, reports her Committee takes active interest in the blind of the State Institute. The Superintendent is a Catholic, and every available means is given the inmates to attend Mass and receive the Sacraments.

GEORGIA

Miss Pauline S. Martin, Chairman, The Bon-Air Vanderbilt, Augusta

Three Alumnae Associations interested in Braille transcription. St. Vincent's of Savannah, Mt. St. Joseph of Augusta, Sacred Heart of Atlanta. One blind child located. Georgia gives promise of active interest through love for their former Bishop, Right Rev. Benjamin J. Kiley, D.D., who lost his sight and is spending his last days in the Sisters Hospital in Atlanta.

ILLINOIS

Mrs. Charles L. Larkin, Chairman, 4147 Washington Boulevard, Chicago

Chicago—

Sister Rose Francis, O.S.D., reports two high school pupils receiving Braille certificates, and who have donated \$10.00 to the Proofreading Fund. Twenty-five students devote one-half hour each week, after school hours, to Braille transcription. Sister M. Joanne, S.S.N.D., transcribed two books of 350 pages, and is teaching Braille by correspondence to two pupils, one of whom is blind. Sister M. Pierre, S.L., Highland Park, Ill., transcribed two volumes of 131 pages. Sister M. Austin, O.M., transcribed one volume. This Sister mentioned were members of Braille classes held at Loyola and DePaul Universities, with Miss B. Elsie Drake as Instructor. These classes, sponsored by Chicago Circle (1920-1922), were a part of the Educational Plans. Miss Blanche Kelley, St. Angela Academy Alumnae, transcribed three volumes of 720 pages. Chicago Circle, Miss Margaret I. Maloney, Regent, recently held a card party. The prizes were purchased from and made by the blind, bearing out the slogan, "Help the Blind to help themselves." Funds derived make possible the printing of this report. \$100.00 was contributed by the Chicago Circle to the plated book fund. The Illinois Chapter and Chicago Alumnae subscribed \$40.00 for Free Proofreading Fund. Miss B. Elsie Drake, A.B., Loyola, supervises the studies of the blind at John Marshall High School, and Miss Drake and Miss Blanche Kelley are teaching Braille by correspondence. Loyola and DePaul Universities offer scholarships to blind pupils. Eighty-six Catholic blind children located in State Institution and Chicago Public Schools.

St. Francis Academy Center

Joliet—

Sister Veronica, O.S.F., has transcribed eleven books of 1,256 pages of Braille. A blind girl, an honor pupil in high school, who also shows marked musical and dramatic talent, owes her inspiration and guidance to Sister Veronica. The class in Braille includes two Sisters of St. Francis, and a booklet, "Helps for Braille

Transcribers," is found useful in transcribing. Sister M. Anne, O.S.F., Superior of St. Mary's Institute, Indian School, Bayfield, Wis., transcribed two books of 156 pages. She has directed four pupils in Braille by correspondence. The Alumnae of St. Francis Academy defray all expense of paper, machines, etc., used by the Center. "In God's Good Time," transcribed by Sister Veronica, is now plated in three volumes. \$300.00 contributed toward plated books.

KENTUCKY

Miss Phebe D. Harris, Chairman, 424 Kensington Court, Louisville

Louisville Braille Center organized August, 1923, at a meeting which consisted of a Sister or Alumna from every Religious Order in the city. Fifteen members now hold Braille Certificates, while many Sisters and Alumnae are completing tests, etc. Mrs. L. B. Hardesty is the efficient Chairman, with Miss Maude Wilhoyte as Instructor. Miss Wilhoyte also gives her services as volunteer embosser of the Braille Certificates. Twenty-five books, or 1,176 pages, transcribed. \$30.00 contributed to Free Proofreading Fund. Braille Centers organized by Sister Margaret, O.S.D., at St. Catherine, Ky., and Sister Victoria Shea, at St. Vincent, Ky. Louisville has the honor of having the greatest number of graduates of Center organized since the last Convention (1922).

LOUISIANA

Miss Clotilda Mathis, Chairman, 831 Pine Street, New Orleans

One Braille Certificate awarded. \$10.00 contributed to Free Proofreading Fund.

MARYLAND

Miss Cecelia M. Muth, Chairman, 16 Melvin Avenue, Catonsville, Md.

One Center—Baltimore. Three transcribers and six Alumnae Associations represented. Three books, 1,418 pages of Braille. \$20.00 contributed toward Free Proofreading Fund. One blind child located. Better paying position secured for blind telephone operator. Books in New York Point secured from X. F. P. S. for blind lady, unable to read Revised Braille. Twenty-two Braille books of interest to Catholic readers were purchased from the Xavier Free Publication Society and presented to the Braille Department of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore. Seventeen of these books were the gift of the Department of Education of Maryland Chapter, and five books the gift of St. Catherine Normal Institute Alumnae. The Mt. de Sales Alumnae News Letter prints portion of Circulars issued by Bureau for the Blind.

MASSACHUSETTS

Miss Mollie Fallon, Chairman, 31 Burroughs Street, Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Center, Sacred Heart Convent, 262 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston. Twenty-five graduated transcribers, and thirteen Alumnae Associations represented. Twenty-seven books, of 7,195 pages transcribed. \$90.00 contributed to Proofreading Fund by Chapter and eight Alumnae Associations. \$2,042.00 raised for plating of Editions. Four Catholic blind located. One blind girl visited by Alumnae, who dictate while she brailles. The Chapter supplies her with paper, etc., for transcribing. Blind lady called on regularly by Boston Alumnae, who read to her, take her walking, etc. To Miss Mollie Fallon, Chairman, is due credit for the Center, contributing the largest amount for plating Braille books, also the largest number of Alumnae Associations subscribing to the Free Proofreading Fund. Spencer Braille Club associated with Kenwood Alumnae Center. Mrs. William Hefferman, Chairman, reports sixteen volumes of Braille.

MICHIGAN

Mrs. H. B. Sharkey, 5271 Cass Avenue, Detroit

Center, Convent of the Sacred Heart, Lawrence Avenue, Detroit. Two Braille Certificates awarded. \$330.00 donated to the Plated Book Fund; \$100.00

given for plating a booklet of Litanies, and Religious Verses. Fifty blind located. The Lenten "Day of Retreat," was opened with Holy Mass, followed by five short instructions and Benediction. Twenty-four blind were present and Brailled Litanies were distributed. The Bishop of Detroit, at the request of the Braille Club, has decided to instruct the Catholic Blind in the Parochial Schools, and to introduce Sight-saving classes into the schools. The Braille Transcribers Club, held under the auspices of the Alumnae of the Sacred Heart, is honored by one of its members, Mrs. Walter J. Connor, having transcribed the greatest number of pages (3,270).

MISSOURI

Mrs. James Maguire, Chairman, 6131 McPherson Avenue, St. Louis

St. Louis Center reports two pupils are ready for examination. Seven books transcribed. A second Center organized under the title "I. F. C. A. Braille Center," through the interest of Mrs. A. A. Harrington, with Mrs. W. A. Boland as instructor. Members of the I. F. C. A. conducted a sale of articles made by the blind at one of the department stores. Miss Katherine Haren is in charge of correspondence class in Braille.

NEW YORK

Miss Mary King, Chairman, 326 West 107th Street, New York City

Albany—

Miss Helen Delehanty, Chairman, 11 Northern Boulevard, Albany

Kenwood Alumnae, Braille Center. Miss Delehanty reports forty-five certificated members, and 4,800 Braille pages sent to The Xaxier Free Publication Society for the Blind. \$1,925.00 contributed toward plated book fund. Two hundred Catholic blind located. Mother Francis Dryden, R.S.H., Directress, is authority for a system of teaching Braille, which is the outgrowth of experience and continued work, and which has produced marvelous results. Kenwood Braille Center has the honor of the greatest number of Braille Certificates awarded. The Associated Braille Clubs are: The Harrisburg Club, The Spencer Club, Court Mary Regis, C. D. of A. No. 638, The C. D. of A. Club, Cohoes, and The Galveston Club.

Catholic Daughters of America, Court Mary Regis, No. 638, Albany, N.Y., Mrs. Ambrose O'Neil, President, reports fifteen completed volumes.

Catholic Daughters of America, Court St. Bernard, Cohoes, N. Y., Miss Gertrude Hamilton, President, reports twelve active members, all doing good work. Two certificated members, and two completed volumes.

Brooklyn—

Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, Regent

Under the Chairmanship of Mrs. John Barry, a circular letter was sent out to every Catholic and Public School in Brooklyn, to every Institution, to all pastors and Directors, asking for the names and addresses of the Catholic blind. Through this method, four hundred Catholic blind persons were located and listed. Brooklyn Circle is endeavoring to reach every person on this list with information as to free Braille publications, and with offers of assistance for any need that they might have. Brooklyn Circle has three classes of volunteer workers studying Braille at night under the direction of Miss Alma Slane. These classes held in three of the Catholic High Schools have averaged eighty students a week. [Miss Alma B. Slane, Brooklyn, N. Y., who is the transcriber having the greatest number of pages (3,135) on slate, 95 per cent. perfect, has transcribed ten Braille books.] Some of the volunteer workers have transcribed into Braille all of the text books required by three students, two at Trinity and one at Vassar, which included Latin, Spanish and French classics, Mathematics, Histories and English classics. Some of these books could not be procured through any other agency, and without them, these girls could not have completed their regular course for a degree.

A series of Braille instructions were given to a blind Novice at the Visitation Convent in Brooklyn, and the money subscribed, to present her a Braille typewriter. Many of the volunteer Braille students are teachers in the Public School system of the city, and found after taking the course that it was a help toward special sight conservation classes newly planned by the Board of Education. Five

Brooklyn Circle girls went on with the work for the higher license, and are now teaching in the city's sight conservation classes at a higher rate of salary.

Brooklyn Circle contributed \$100.00 toward plated books. Two Braille Certificates awarded. Through the helpfulness of a Brooklyn Circle woman, Mrs. John Slattery, an automobile called every Sunday morning at the Sunshine Home for Children, and took the Catholic children out to Mass. The Circle also donated dresses and complete outfits for these children's First Holy Communions. Each year Brooklyn Circle has conducted two or more tables at Armory where Catholic Day for the blind was held. In each case the Circle's returns were substantial and well above the average.

Lumen Mundi Center. Under the direction of Mrs. John E. Baxter, a weekly class in Braille was conducted through the summer months at the home of Mrs. George McQuade, of Freeport, Long Island. Thirty girls attended this class all summer and made remarkable progress.

For the past two years Miss Anna L. McDevitt, Principal of P. S. 137, and Trustee of Brooklyn Circle, has collected fifty dollars for the Catholic blind fund. Brooklyn Circle has pledged to furnish any blind student of Brooklyn, who is desirous of taking higher courses, all of the text books that she may need, free of charge to her.

Buffalo—

Miss Eleanor L. Brady, Chairman, 169 Clavin Avenue, Buffalo

Class of ten students in Braille organized. Mother Borgia, Directoress.

New York City—

Convent of the Sacred Heart, Madison Avenue and 54th Street, class in Braille held under the direction of Mrs. John E. Baxter. Fifteen members are working on tests and books. Six Hundred Dollars sent to Rev. Father Stadelman as a contribution to the plated book fund. Three hundred and fifty Catholic blind, adults and children located.

NEBRASKA

Miss Helen McCarthy, Chairman, 922 Stone Street, Falls City

Hastings Braille Center being organized by Mrs. F. D. McElhinney as Chairman. Mrs. Charles T. Daugherty, of Columbus, is organizing a class in Braille transcription.

NOVA SCOTIA

Mrs. O. P. Cormier, Chairman, 32½ South Clifton Street, Halifax

Halifax Center is being organized under the competent leadership of Mrs. Cormier, formerly a teacher in the School for the Blind.

OHIO

Mrs. John C. See, Chairman, 176 Lexington Avenue, Columbus

Twenty Catholic blind pupils at the State Institute. These are under the care of two Notre Dame Sisters and a Dominican Father.

ONTARIO

Mrs. J. J. Slattery, Chairman, 66 Riverdale Avenue, Ottawa

Three Catholic members on the Executive Board of the Ottawa Association for the Blind, Mrs. J. J. Slattery being the Secretary. Ninety blind persons located, over half are Catholic. Steady employment and good wages are given the blind of Ottawa in a broom and basket factory. The d'Youville Alumnae put on a weekly concert at the Home for the Blind. Mrs. J. A. McKenna, President, d'Youville Alumnae, promises future interest in Braille transcription.

PENNSYLVANIA

Miss Frances McManus, A.B., Chairman, 1419 North 18th Street Philadelphia

Philadelphia Center reports nine pupils under instruction and seven completed books and seven members received Braille Certificates. \$100.00 subscribed to Proofreading Fund. \$100.00 subscribed to Plated Book Fund. The annual

card party for the blind, held August, 1923, at the Ambassador, Atlantic City, N. J.

Eden Hall Center, Convent of the Sacred Heart, Overbrook, Pa. Mrs. Franklin S. Horn, Chairman, reports sixteen members transcribing tests and 50 pages. Ten completed books, 9 books being transcribed, and 1,600 finished pages. \$10.00 contributed to the Proofreading Fund. At Christmas time each member transcribed their favorite prayers, and sent them, with candy and toys, to the Catholic blind children at the Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind. The Alumnae members take the blind children to Mass on Sundays and Holy days.

Villa Marie Center, Miss Mary Louise Flannery, Chairman. Eight members receiving instruction in Braille. Two Certificates awarded, and one graduate is transcribing her second book.

Harrisburg Braille Club, associated with Kenwood Alumnae Center. Miss Katherine Hemler, Chairman, 2201 North Second Street, Harrisburg, reports twenty volumes of Braille. The Club has taken part in social activities for the blind.

RHODE ISLAND

Elmhurst Convent of the Sacred Heart, Providence, R. I.

Mrs. Bertrand T. Hart, Chairman, reports ten members working on tests and fifty pages.

TEXAS

Miss Mary A. Martin, Chairman, 1819 J., Galveston

Reverend Joseph Coffey, of Lampasas, Chaplain for I. F. C. A., has planned to visit every Alumnas Association in Texas. He is to speak on the Braille, and promises a great harvest for this Bureau. Thirty-ninesets of Instructions, etc., have been sent to the Sisters and Alumnae, representing ten Alumnae Associations. One Braille Certificate awarded. Galveston Braille Club, associated with Kenwood Alumnae Center. Miss Mary Martin, Chairman. Three Certificated members.

TENNESSEE

Mrs. Frederick Eichhorn, Chairman, 208 Walnut Street, Chattanooga

Notre Dame Alumnae, Chattanooga, purchased six Braille machines for the use of members who are studying Braille transcription. Sister Cecelia Agnes, O.S.D., Directress of ten pupils in Braille at St. Agnes Academy, Memphis.

UTAH

Mrs. Enos D. Hoge, Chairman, 24 J Street, Salt Lake City

Chapter not ready to begin classes in Braille transcription.

VIRGINIA

Mrs. Everett Hewitt, Chairman, 701 Emmett Street, Portsmouth

Local chairman appointed in all Alumnae Associations of the State. Five Alumnae of St. Joseph, Portsmouth, studying Braille by correspondence with Miss Irene O'Neill, Los Angeles, Instructor.

Members of Alumnae Associations, Richmond, in charge of one day Sales given under the Auspices of the Virginia Commission for the Blind. For some time Alumnae have been taking a blind inmate of the City Home to Mass.

WISCONSIN

Miss Clara Hoff, Chairman, 615 Cramer Street, Milwaukee

St. Mary's College Center, Prairie du Chien. Ten members of the Freshmen class, with a blind girl classmate as leader, are writing tests and 50 pages. A second class of thirteen students have begun Braille transcription with a zest that seems to vouch for success. The students have reason to be grateful to Miss Ellen Lawler, Kansas City, honorary President of the Braille Center at St. Mary's College, who has proved a real friend and benefactor.

BRAILLE CERTIFICATES AWARDED SINCE THE LOUISVILLE CONVENTION

Mrs. Gertrude Theobald Doyle	Kenwood
Mrs. Charles F. Riordan	Boston
Sister Rose Francis, O.S.D.	Chicago
Sister M. Leonardine, O.S.D.	Chicago
Mrs. Elizabeth J. Sullivan	Boston
Mrs. Daniel J. Crowley	Boston
Miss Carolyn M. Murphy	Philadelphia
Reverend Henry Joseph Kaufman	Detroit
Mrs. Franklin Horn	Philadelphia
Mrs. Joseph B. Rockett	Boston
Miss Alice Sullivan	Philadelphia
Miss Marie Blake	Boston
Sister Mary Donatus	Villa Marie, Pa.
Miss Elizabeth Brennan	Villa Marie, Pa.
Sister Mary Joanne, S.S.N.D.	Chicago
Miss Louise Oblinger	Philadelphia
Mrs. Harry G. Orth	Harrisburg
Miss Alma Slane	Brooklyn
Mrs. Mary McCarvel Yetter	Kenwood
Mrs. Margaret Teresa Stuart	Kenwood
Miss Mildred Sickles	Kenwood
Miss Maude Wilhoyte	Louisville
Miss Emily Horgan	Boston
Mrs. James J. Sheeran	Brooklyn
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Mrs. C. F. Wheeler	Kenwood
Miss Rose Dowling	Louisville
Miss Gertrude Fenzel	Baltimore
Miss Natalie Hebert	Boston
Miss B. Oswald	Boston
Miss Caroline Clancey	Kenwood
Miss Mary Wells	Kenwood
Miss Teresa Casey	Kenwood
Miss Jane Wells	Kenwood
Miss Phyllis Cone	New York
Sister M. Norbert	Louisville
Miss Alice Aaydn	Louisville
Sister Matilda	Louisville
Miss Ruth E. Work	Baltimore
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Miss Rose S. Dowling	Louisville
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Sister Cecelia Agnes	Boston
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Miss Mary J. Barry	Boston
Sister Victoria Shea	Nazareth, Ky.
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Miss Margaret Buckley	Chicago
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Miss Sadie J. Connelly	Freeport, N. Y.
Mrs. Mable Bruner	Freeport, N. Y.
Mrs. Mary D. Cohen	Freeport, N. Y.
Miss Ethel M. Sullivan	Freeport, N. Y.
Miss M. Blanche Hagan	Freeport, N. Y.

BOOKS TRANSCRIBED

1. "Abbé Pierre," by Jay Wm. Hudson, 5 Vols.
2. "Adventures of Paddy the Beaver," by Thornton W. Burgess.
3. "Adventures Perilous," by E. M. W. Buxton, 3 Vols.
4. "African Fabiola," 2 Vols.
5. "Armchair Philosophy," by Daniel J. Lord, S.J., 2 Vols.
6. "Ascent of Calvary," by Pierre Louis Perroy, Vol. II.
7. "Ballads of Childhood," by Michael Earls, S.J.
8. "Behold the Lamb," by Marie St. S. Ellerker.
9. "Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament," by Rev. G. Bampffield, B.A.
10. "Bestest of All and Other Stories," by S. M. J.
11. "Blossom Shop," by Isla Mae Mullins, 2 Vols.
12. "Boy Knight," by Martin J. Scott, S.J.
13. "Brave Coward and Other Stories."
14. "Breaking With the Past," by Cardinal Gasquet.
15. "Brazen Serpent," by John A. McSorley, S.J., 2 Vols.
16. "Bric-a-Brac Dealer," Vol. I.
17. "Buddy," by Mary T. Waggaman.
18. "By the Seaside," by a Sister of Mercy.
19. "Captain January," by Laura E. Richards.
20. "Captain's Vices and Other Stories," by Francois Coppée.
21. "Carroll Dare," by Mary T. Waggaman, 3 Vols.
22. "Catechism of the Social Question," by Rev. John A. Ryan.
23. "Cecil, Marchioness of Lothian," by Cecil Kerr, 3 Vols.
24. "Charlie's Victory."
25. "Charred Wood," by Myles Muredach, 3 Vols.
26. "Cheery Way," by John Kendrick Bangs, 4 Vols.
27. "Child's prayerbook."
28. "Children's Dickens."
29. "Christ, Life of," by Giovanni Papini, 9 Vols.
30. "Church Versus Science," by J. Gerard, S.J., 2 Vols.
31. "Cloister and Other Poems," by Charles L. O'Donnell, C.S.C.
32. "Coin of Sacrifice," by Christian Reid.
33. "Come Rack! Come Rope!" by Msgr. R. H. Benson, 7 Vols.
34. "Confession and Communion," by Mother M. Loyola.
35. "Commodore," by Anna E. Finn.
36. "Conversion of Old Nurse," 2 Vols.
37. "Dante," by John F. Slattery, Ph.D., Vol. I.
38. "Dante," by Frederic Ozanam.
39. "Denys the Dreamer," by Katharine T. Hinkson.
40. "Devotion to the Holy Spirit," by Rev. Joseph McSorley, C.S.P.
41. "Dickens' Reader."
42. "Divine Counsellor," by Martin J. Scott, S.J.
43. "Divine Friend," by Henry C. Schuyler, S.T.L.
44. "Dream of Gerontius," by Cardinal Newman.
45. "Education and the Higher Life," by J. L. Spalding.
46. "Eucharistic Lilies," 2 Vols.
47. "Eucharistic Whisperings."
48. "Externals of the Catholic Church," by Rev. John F. Sullivan, 7 Vols.
49. "Fairy Tales," by Hans Christian Andersen.
50. "Father Tim's Talks," Vol. I.
51. "First Fruits," by Sister Mary Philip, 3 Vols.
52. "Freda's Christmas and Other Stories."
53. "Fringe of the Eternal," by Rev. Francis Gonne.
54. "Gardens Overseas and Other Stories," by Thos. Walsh.

55. "Gates of Olivet," by Lucille Borden, Vol. I.
56. "Gibbons, Cardinal," by Rev. Albert E. Smith and Vincent de P. Fitzpatrick.
57. "Girl's Book of Verses," by Mary Gould Davis, Vol. I.
58. "Gospel of Pain," by Rev. J. W. LeBen.
59. "Greater Value," by G. M. M. Sheldon.
60. "Great Wives and Mothers," by Rev. Francis Blunt.
61. "Hail! Full of Grace!" by Mother M. Loyola, 4 Vols.
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Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) KATHRYN BYRNE BAXTER (MRS. JOHN E.)
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1924	Balance on hand January 17, 1924.....	\$164.63
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		\$354.63

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Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) CLARA L. JOYCE,
Retiring Chairman, Bureau for the Blind.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LOCATION OF BLIND

Miss Mary C. Toy, Chairman

Letters were sent to the twenty-three appointed State and Province Chairmen giving an outline of the work and urging them to form Committees to:

1. Secure co-operation of the Diocesan Directors of Schools and Charities in locating Catholic Blind.
2. Call on all Catholic organizations for aid in locating blind.
3. Visit Public Schools and Institutions for statistics of Catholic Blind or partly blind.
4. Make known the Xavier Free Publication Society for the Blind, 135 West 97th Street, New York City.

The Chapter Chairmen report as follows: Mrs. M. A. Bailey reports for Connecticut that her committee visits the state Institution for the Blind bringing gifts of candy and fruit and supplying car tickets. Miss Pauline Martin, Georgia, has located one blind child. Miss Cecelia Muth, Maryland, reports number of blind located, two. Massachusetts, under Chairman, Miss Mollie Fallon, has located four Catholic Blind. One young woman in Home for Incurables has been supplied with a Braille Typewriter and acquainted with the Xavier Publication Society. Volunteer readers have been supplied to others. Mrs. H. B. Sharkey, Michigan, reports fifty children located. Miss Mary King of the Brooklyn Circle, compiled a census of the Catholic Blind in the diocese and located three hundred and fifty adults and children. A branch of the Kenwood Circle reports two hundred and fifty located. Mrs. J. C. Sull, Ohio, reports twenty blind students at the State Institution under the care of two Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, and a Dominican priest. Mrs. J. J. Slattery, Ontario, Canada, reports there are three Catholics on the Executive Board of the Ottawa Association for the Blind, and that the blind are given employment at good wages in a broom and basket factory, and provided with guides to church on Sundays.

The Chairman on Location regrets the meagreness of the report. The very important Federation work of locating Catholic Blind has only begun. There is every reason to believe that through the comfort of Catholic books much spiritual and social happiness may be brought to our Catholic blind through the persistent effort of our Alumnae in every Chapter of the Federation.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF PARLIAMENTARY LAW

Mrs. S. F. Wilhelmi, Chairman

Parliamentary Law, The Twentieth Century requisite, is booming in the I. F. C. A. Enthusiasm reigns. Numerous are the requests for information on the subject. More than five hundred folders, in which an appeal is made to Alumnae Associations and Seniors to study Parliamentary Law were mailed to Chairmen of States where the Governors had appointed a Chairman. The Department regrets to report some Governors still sleeping; also some State Chairmen. A note of instruction accompanied these folders, asking the Chairman to send a folder to each Alumnae Association in her State or Province.

The following States and Provinces have a chairman: Kentucky, Ontario,

Columbia, New Brunswick, Mississippi, Florida, Michigan, Wisconsin, Indiana, Connecticut, Iowa, Oklahoma, Kansas, Virginia, Utah, Colorado, Tennessee.

ATTENTION DELEGATES! WAS YOUR STATE NAMED?
IF NOT, WHY NOT?

Many of the Chairmen have excellent reports from their States. One that deserves especial mention, is from Miss Mary J. Delker, Kentucky, which prompts us to say, Kentucky is noted for many things, but chiefly for Parliamentarians.

In closing the Chairman wishes to thank the active members, to solicit co-operation for her successor, also more space in the Bulletin, as it "Pays to Advertise." And for the good of all concerned, before accepting an office or chairmanship, REMEMBER it will require a little time and a little labor. Someone is depending on you—so don't hold up the works.

REPORT OF BUREAU OF CIVICS

Miss Mary Unnewehr, Chairman

To the President, Executive Board and International Federation of Catholic Alumnae:

Your Chairman of the Bureau of Civics begs leave to submit the following report:

Your Chairman feels her first duty, and a most pleasant one, is to express her gratitude to Mrs. Mary B. Finan, Chairman of the Department of Education, for her unfailing interest and ever readiness to give encouragement in forwarding the plans of this Bureau.

Indebtedness is acknowledged for the material and work compiled in this report to the State and Province Chairmen who so earnestly and so assiduously co-operated with this Bureau. To them is due credit for work accomplished by this Bureau. The work of your International Chairmen has been mostly writing letters, sending Bureau leaflets and giving suggestions.

Fourteen State and one Province Chairmen were appointed. Reports were received from Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Virginia, Texas and Toronto.

Illinois—Miss Eleanor MacCarthy reports the interest of every Association in her state in civic affairs. Many of their members are of the teaching profession and as such also teach civics and are active in Americanization work. When a new State Constitution was proposed, the Illinois Alumnae took active part in defeating it. Thousands of leaflets were distributed bearing upon the danger points of the proposed constitution.

Kentucky—Miss Anne Overman reports civic activity in the larger centers of Kentucky. In smaller centers she was unable to organize the work. Louisville Alumnae conducted a course of six lectures on Citizenship. At St. Catherine's a class in Civics was organized. Covington Alumnae had a series of lectures as follows: "The Supreme Court," "Divorce Laws," "Should Catholic Women Vote?"

Maryland—Miss Ella S. Hitchcock reports the study of civics in High Schools of that State. A course for teaching sisters will be given. Maryland Chairman suggests that the Alumnae do not form separate bodies for study of government, but should join with the existing political or civic organization.

Massachusetts—Miss Dora Claxton and her successor, Miss Mary R. Walsh, organized Civic Bureau. At their organization meeting, with an attendance of 250 Alumnae, Father Corrigan, S.J., gave a talk on Civics, as a result of which many members entered civic classes and took active interest in public affairs. In Boston a course was given at the State University Extension Department to a class of 46. Arrangements are being made for a second class this Fall.

Mississippi—Mrs. W. J. Melton reports six Associations appointed Civic Chairmen. Classes were held and the Civic Catechism used as a guide. Members prepared papers and lectures for each meeting. The chairman reports well attended classes with noticeable improvement in the interest of Alumnae in civic obligations.

Ohio—The class in Toledo made extensive study of Father Ryan's topics on legislation. A bill to prohibit boys under 16 to sell newspapers was defeated

through efforts of Catholic women of that city. A committee has been organized for the purpose of encouraging young women who will be 21 in November, to vote. In Cincinnati civic work is done through City Circle. Lectures on Civics are presented. Most of the activity along line of Civics has been centered on Civics in the Schools. They co-operate with Civic and Vocational League. A number of Alumnae, including the Governor of Ohio, were on the Executive Board as sponsors of the League.

Pennsylvania—Miss Patricia F. Crosby reports an effort was made to make known to the Catholic women the necessity of using their right of franchise. At the time of the pending of the Bill for the granting of an National Charter to the I. F. C. A. the Committee on Civics caused many letters to be sent Senators and Congressmen urging the incorporation of the Federation.

Virginia—Miss Margaret Noble sent pamphlets of this Bureau to Alumnae Presidents. The local chairman organized classes. The Sisters in charge of the schools in Virginia were urged to take up the study of Civics and institute such classes in their schools. Through the local chairman the Sisters and Alumnae were urged to use the rights of suffrage in the coming and succeeding elections.

Texas—Mrs. J. E. Demmers reports enthusiastically of the Civic Bureau in her Chapter. Shortly after her appointment she gave a talk on "Civic Responsibility" to the Texas Chapter, and received a pledge of 100 per cent. co-operation in her Bureau. Letters were sent to all Presidents asking appointment of a Civic Chairman and outlining work for her. Alumnae Presidents supported her and appointed Civic Chairmen. The seven purposes as outlined in Civic leaflets were used as their aim. Alumnae Chairmen interchanged ideas and reports. The Texas Civic Chairman was kept posted on State and Federal legislation by State Chairman of Legislation. She in turn notified all Alumnae Presidents and well thought out action was then taken on all proposed bills by the State body.

Toronto—The Civic Bureau in Toronto, Canada, under the chairmanship of Mrs. D. G. Fitzgerald, was most active. The members of this Bureau helped organize the Toronto Circle, which was organized with the idea of interesting Catholic women in Municipal, Provincial and Federal matters. Through the affiliation of Toronto Civic Department with National Council of Women, the largest women's organization in Canada, they were kept in touch with matters concerning the women of their country. Interest was taken in Polish settlement work, where immigrants to Canada were Canadianized. The Toronto Circle plan a class in Civics for the Polish people. Members of Toronto Civic Bureau were appointed to important Civic committees. Toronto Alumnae attended Legislative Assemblies and City Council Meetings. Toronto Chairman recommends that Civics be taught in the schools and that the Sisters of Religious Orders be interested by talks on civic subjects.

Your Chairman realizes that this report does not cover all the work done in Civics by the I. F. C. A. The limit of time does not permit a more detailed report. We know that many other of the States than those recorded here, are doing work along civic lines. The Chairman regrets that there is no report of their work.

During the term of this office your Chairman found great need of the study of Civics in our schools. The inhabitants of our schoolrooms of to-day are the future citizens and controlling power of our country, and should receive careful training to fulfill these obligations. The study of Civics should be part of the curriculum of every Catholic School, not only our federated schools, but also our parochial schools. Our Alumnae should aid our Sisters to bring the study of Civics to the boys and girls in our Catholic Schools. Teach the boy or girl to know his or her city. Their interest will soon widen to want to gain knowledge of State Government and the Federal Government.

Your Chairman of Civics feels that our Alumnae have learned the need of the study of good citizenship and the need of our women taking their places as well informed citizens, and therefore will not falter in their duty in the future pursuance of their study and interest in the Bureau of Civics. Since we have learned the need of Civics, our responsibilities are increased.

In closing this report your Chairman recommends and urges that I. F. C. A. Bureau of Civics take added interest and responsibility in bringing the study of Civics to our Sisters and our schools.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF ART

Mrs. William John Zeh, Chairman

I wish to say to the worthy ladies that no matter how much time they give to promoting the work of the other departments of the Federation their efforts

will never reach "Efficiency" with a capital "E" until they add Catholic Art to their State Program. Perhaps never in the history of the world was this branch of your work needed. Catholic Art in the Church, Catholic Art in the Home, Catholic Art in the Business, Catholic Art in the Schools, Catholic Art in the Clubs—this should be our slogan.

The Poster Room of 1924 will be an incentive to thousands to follow in the footsteps of those who responded, and encourage children in this popular art. Another Poster Exhibit will be held in Chicago to which we hope you will cooperate. Have a Poster Exhibit in your school, and offer prizes. Give special attention to the selection of Christmas, Easter and other greeting cards. Get the habit of sending a message by these little tokens that bring thoughtless humanity to the realization of the commemoration of a great Catholic truth. Do not follow the custom of sending any kind of a card that announces a holiday.

In response to requests for information as to purchase of reasonably priced copies of masterpieces, I would state that George P. Brown and Company, 38 Lovett Street, Beverly, Mass., and the Perry Pictures Company, Malden, Mass., supply these, and C. M. Parker, Taylorville, Illinois, publishes a booklet of pictures with descriptive matter.

Colorado submits a list of Catholic Artists and Art Collectors in the State. The aim of the Bureau under Mrs. H. W. McLaughlin has been to create and maintain an atmosphere of culture in our Parochial Schools; to educate our children to distinguish true and false standards of art. This has been accomplished by: illustrated lectures, inauguration of contests in applied art and appreciation of art, securing the right of Parochial Schools to submit posters in Annual City Contests during Music Week, encouraging the donations of good copies of the Old Masters in place of "pictures" by graduating classes to their Alma Mater, joining the various art clubs and encouraging other I. F. C. A. members to do the same. The Committee has secured recognition by the City Art Commission of work done in the Parochial Schools, and also space in the Annual Church Art Exhibit at Chappel House for 1925.

Sister Mary Luke of Holy Family Academy of Hartford, Connecticut, Teacher of Art, is co-chairman with Miss Helen Reed O'Neil. They report all Catholic schools of Chapter have art teachers.

The State Chairman for Illinois, Miss Loretta Kelly, reports a notable feature of the art in St. Patrick's Church, Chicago, is that it is entirely free from Pagan symbolism and is rich with Christian symbolism. The windows are translucent glass mosaics, the color made into the glass in such a way that the design and color show on both surfaces of the window. Windows and mural decorations are the work of Thomas O'Shaughnessy, a Catholic artist and member of the Art Commission of Chicago. The Perboye Children's National Art Federation of Chicago has been spreading the message of good art in the parochial schools. Thousands of photographic copies of famous paintings have been loaned by the Art Institute for the purpose of placing them in the schools for study. Funds have been raised for a permanent collection of photographic copies of famous paintings. The Perboye Federation was responsible for an exhibit of pictures suitable for children's rooms held in the Marshall Field galleries. It has also for many years carried on an intensive campaign for better Christmas and Easter Cards. All the Catholic schools are urged to take part in the contest of the Division of Art of the Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs for the best picture representing "The Spirit of the Easter Time."

The Art Department of the Kentucky Chapter, Miss Suzanne Menard, Chairman, offered prizes for posters made by pupils of the federated schools. Miss Judith Dillon, La Salette Academy, won first prize and Miss Frances Rademaker, Ursuline Academy, second. The Chairman wrote a sketch of the Catholic Art found in the State, which included copies of old masters in the Cathedral at Bardstown, the art works in St. Mary's Cathedral, Covington, the Cathedral of the Assumption, Louisville, and at St. Catherine of Sienna Academy, Nazareth Academy, and Loretto Academy.

Miss Marie K. Carey reports for Massachusetts that many of their girls are studying arts and crafts and interior decoration. In the magnificent Museum of Fine Arts in Boston are many originals. In this Museum several Alumnae members are teaching courses.

From Nova Scotia comes the report that the Sisters of Mt. St. Bernard have promised to see that the Catholic artists are well represented in their library in order to encourage the study of Catholic Art among their students. An Art Pageant will be used as a feature at their next Commencement.

As a result of the efforts of the Ohio Chairman, Miss Charlotte Hart, who sent out suggestions for outlining work to all the affiliated schools, St. Ursula

Alumnae Association, Tiffin, Ohio, will give each year prizes in gold to the pupils of the parochial schools of Tiffin.

Miss Emily Pidgeon reports that preparations are under way to put on an Art Campaign in the Tennessee Chapter.

The Chairman for Texas reports that many towns are forming Art Leagues to educate children by lectures and exhibits, and that many Convent Schools affiliated with the I. F. C. A. are in touch with this work.

REPORT OF BUREAU FOR PLACEMENT OF PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS WOMEN

Mrs. Joseph White Brooks, Chairman

The Right Rev. Thomas J. Shahan, in his sermon delivered at Louisville, Kentucky, made the following remark: "You represent, indeed, a century of education of our American Catholic womankind. But what does that stand for, and in what way has it affected our national life?"

This question is fully answered by a survey of the census of occupational pursuits of the Federation's professional and business women; by no other means could this have been so accurately answered. The oft repeated assertion that, "The United States is a nation of eighth grades," is unquestionably proved untrue, that is, as far as Catholic education is concerned.

This classification is an argument for the higher standard of learning, and the excellent training given in our convent schools.

From eleven Chapters, representing seventy-one Alumnae Associations, this bureau has collected correct information concerning the vocational pursuits of our women, proving that in ability, equipment and responsibility, there are no women in our country more efficient than those of our Federation.

The organization plans of this bureau embraced only the classification of professional and business women; now that the completion of this part of our work is in sight, some intelligent method must be devised for each Chapter to take care of placement. This means an enormous amount of work for the Chapter Chairman, the accomplishment of which will be an inexhaustible source of benefit to our "wage earning" members. This scheme will be nation-wide in its effect, will promote better conditions and open up many vocational pursuits that could not be realized without this knowledge of facts concerning the occupations of our women. Time, experience and funds are necessary to the successful working out of this plan. Other organizations have achieved wonderful results by establishing a Placement Bureau in all large cities. Why cannot we work for similar results? This Bureau should become the clearing house of all higher activities of the Federation. What a vast field lies open to the zeal of this Organization! If we can direct work intelligently we will open a way to constant progress. Intelligence and interest are not lacking in our work; we are handicapped by lack of funds. The Placement of our women is a problem that should interest every member of the Federation.

Many Governors have been most helpful in their splendid co-operation for the completion of the census of the professional and business women. Chairmen are developing plans, but some have failed to report progress made. At the Louisville Convention eight Chapters reported Classification complete to date; to-day, two years later, seventy-one Alumnae Associations have completed census.

This bureau has received seventy-two letters from Governors and Chairmen, and twenty-five from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., with enclosures of application blanks for the Civil Service Examinations. These blanks were sent to Chairmen for distribution.

One hundred and seventy-five letters, seventy-six leaflets and pamphlets, giving outline of organization to newly appointed chairmen, were sent by this office; one thousand copies of the census of the professional and business women, each comprising three sheets, were printed and sent to Governors for distribution among Alumnae Associations, making a total of three thousand two hundred and fifty-one pieces of literature sent by this bureau during 1923-1924.

The ultimate success of our plans depends entirely on the interest and co-operation of all members of the Federation, without which our Bureau will never function as an efficient helpful unit of the Federation.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF MUSIC

Miss Rose Henley, Chairman

Colorado.—Mrs. A. A. Gargan reports that in Denver a series of lectures and Musicals were given monthly, beginning in December, 1923. Entrance fees at these recitals paid the Artists taking part. A Glee Club was organized with Mrs. Josephine Woerber, a member of the I. F. C. A., as Director.

Kentucky—Miss Margaret Richardson, Chairman. Six cities federated: Covington, Paducah, Lexington, Newport, Morganfield and Louisville. The Presentation Academy, Louisville, gave a Junior and Senior Recital. The Academy of the Sacred Heart, Louisville, held recitals by their St. Cecelia's Club. Nazareth College presented in joint recital, Miss Marion Nugent, violinist; Miss Betty McKenna, vocalist, and Miss Mary Martha McCormick, pianist, at Macauley's Theatre, Louisville. The proceeds, \$1,100, were given to the Nazareth College Library. Fifty-four members of the Glee Club of the Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Louisville, rendered program at Mission Unit Convention, and sang in contest at the Boys' High School. St. Catherine of Sienna Academy, Springfield, were entertained by a Concert by Mr. Jan Chrappusso, pianist, and by a recital by Miss Mary Langly, contralto. The orchestra of St. Catherine's Academy gave concerts in Lebanon and Springfield, Ky. Paducah reports Mrs. Wells, Chairman, organized a Choir, which in the first year has learned nine Masses. Twenty members of this choir are members of I. F. C. A. Mrs. Wells also organized a children's choir of eighty voices. St. Francis Alumnae, Owensboro, Ky., has an orchestra of forty members. Music week was observed by thirteen of the twenty-one federated schools, namely: Nazareth Academy, Nazareth, Ky., St. Francis Academy, Owensboro, St. Catherine's Academy, Springfield, Holy Rosary Academy, Louisville, St. Catherine's Academy, Lexington, Mt. St. Joseph Academy, St. Joseph, St. Benedict's Academy, Louisville, Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Louisville, St. Mary's Academy, Paducah, Bethlehem Academy, Bethlehem, Sacred Heart Academy, Louisville, Presentation Academy, Louisville, Ursuline Academy, Louisville, and St. Vincent's Academy, St. Vincent. Notre Dame Academy, Covington, reported three notable programs during the year. All chairmen report the singing of Cardinal O'Connell's hymn at each meeting of the Alumnae.

Missouri—Miss M. Theresa Finn reports a musical program was rendered at all Alumnae Meetings, with community singing.

Maryland—Chairman reports three Alumnae Music Clubs, and one Junior Music Club.

Ohio—Miss Loretta Louy, Chairman. The Ursuline Alumnae, Cleveland, furnished music at Deaf and Dumb Institute, and at Warrenville Infirmary. Our Lady of Lourdes Alumnae, Cleveland, held a Music Memory Contest. Notre Dame Academy, Toledo, sponsored a concert. St. Ursula's Academy, Toledo, gave a Concert, and reports Social Service work in Music Settlement.

Texas—Miss Bessie McHugh, Chairman. Our Lady of the Lake Alumnae presented in concert, Le Priore, violinist, and Madame Phillipini, pianist. Axel Skovguard, celebrated Danish violinist, with Mrs. Aline McClung Skovguard, pianist, was presented by the Alumnae of the Incarnate Word College. St. Joseph's Alumnae, San Antonio, reports quarterly programs by its members, and a special program for Music Week. The Ursuline Academy held a Music Contest. The Alumnae Association of the Incarnate Word Academy has to its credit a Fine Arts Club, which has presented its first season, Miss Louise Daniel, Mr. Sam T. Winford, concert pianists, Mrs. David P. Clerk, Miss Elva Kolb, lyric sopranos, and have given a number of interesting lectures.

Virginia—Miss Winifred L. Bayne, Chairman. St. Joseph's Alumnae, Richmond, assisted in presenting the celebrated tenor, Victor Gollibart. On the Feast of the Miraculous Medal, Mr. Morelius, violinist, was heard under the auspices of St. Joseph's Alumnae. St. Joseph's Alumnae, Portsmouth, gave Music Festivals for school benefits. The Chairman of Music directed the orchestra during the production of "Pilot's Daughter," a scriptural drama under the direction of the Governor of the Virginia Chapter. The State Chairman acts as Organist and Choir Director at the Naval Hospital, and is assisted by members of the I. F. C. A. The Federation Hymn is sung at all meetings. St. Joseph's Alumnae, Rich-

mond, furnished music during a series of lectures by Father Joseph Magri. St. Vincent's Alumnae conducted a very successful Music Memory Contest. St. Patrick's Alumnae, Richmond, report training children of parochial and public schools to sing during May procession, a Minstrel Show by Alumnae members, and an Operetta by Junior Pupils coached by Alumnae. Sacred Heart Alumnae, Richmond, presented an Oppretta "Feast of the Red Corn" directed by the President, Miss Henrietta Knightly, and Miss Mary Kester of this Alumnae volunteers her services as organist at Sodality Meetings. Miss Margaret Keenan is pianist at the Richmond Normal School. St. Mary's Alumnae, Alexandria, has a musical program before each meeting, and the Federation Hymn is sung. Monte Maria Alumnae has organized a St. Cecelia's Music Club, which meets once a week, for talks on music and essays on Theory of Music. Some of the special features of this club were a music memory contest, recitals every six weeks, and concerts of a chorus of twenty voices. A gold and silver medal was awarded at the end of the term. St. Mary's Alumnae, Norfolk, organized an orchestra of mandolins and guitars, and also a chorus which furnished music for many charitable entertainments. St. Mary's Alumnae, Alexandria, has given several Musical Teas which proved instrumental in arousing interest in their Alumnae Association. All members of the Virginia Chapter have been interested in the Choral Contest, and zealous in their efforts to make their chorus a good one.

Tennessee—Miss Margaret Morrison, Chairman. The Musical Department furnished the program for the Story Telling Class under the Literature Department. Members appeared on monthly programs of the Memphis Circle.

New Brunswick, St. John—Chairman reports lectures on Music.

Mississippi—Natchez, Pass Christian, Beloxi, Chatawa report interest in Music Bureau. Meridian report singing charts installed in schools. Miss Shuton of the Victor Company, gave demonstrations in the schools on Musical Appreciation. Natchez report singing at each Alumnae Meeting, and monthly musical programs.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF SCHOOLS

Miss Rose Costello, Chairman

The natural inclination of Catholics to mentally rebel against assuming an aggressive attitude in the matter of moral education, and the American idea of efficiency in public schools have been the most serious obstacles in fostering a Catholic education. The pioneer work done by the I. F. C. A. has aided in tilling the soil of this field to such a degree of fruitfulness as to make it now a matter of duty on the part of all Catholics to garner a harvest of morally educated men and women. Those who have received the benefits of the moral atmosphere diffused in Catholic schools are more able to place before the world the benefits of such an education.

The Bureau of Schools was created to seek a wider knowledge of the educational tendencies of the day; to consider carefully, pending legislation of the times, especially that which is disadvantageous to Catholic schools.

Your Chairman assumed the duties of this bureau at the close of the Louisville convention. Seven hundred leaflets outlining the work of this department were sent out during the past year. Time was lost because Governors of the various states, to whom letters were sent requesting them to appoint chairmen, were not answered, and in some cases even the fourth appeal brought no reply. However, the following states have appointed chairmen and sent in reports: Connecticut, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, Rhode Island, Virginia, Iowa, Illinois, Colorado, Georgia, Minnesota; also District of Columbia, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Quebec.

Alumnae Associations affiliated with the I. F. C. A. were urged to foster meetings for the purpose of a closer union among the various religious orders and the schools conducted by them. Iowa and Illinois were very successful in this work.

The members of Mt. St. Joseph Alumnae Association, Dubuque, Iowa, frequently acted as chaperons during the holidays to girls desiring to visit larger cities for music courses, art and social service work, and inspection tours.

The list of students in our Catholic institutions who have won prizes in essay contests is large, and the chairman will attempt to give credit to every school that sent in a report in time to make this possible.

Mrs. Calvin Coolidge presented \$100 to Miss Adele Daniel, a junior at St. Francis Xavier Academy, Vicksburg, Miss., as first prize in the National Patriotic Essay Contest. Miss Daniel won the National Award in competition with thousands of contestants throughout the country.

A pupil of St. Aloysius Academy, Meridian, Miss., won a scholarship from the St. Louis Conservatory which entitled her to twelve weeks at Normal.

Holy Rosary Academy, Louisville, Ky., won first and second prizes in City Essay Contests and fifth prize in contests open to all high schools in city and state. First prize in I. F. C. A. Contest, "Vocations and Avocations," was given to a student of St. Catherine of Sienna Academy, Springfield, Ky. St. Catherine's Academy, Lexington, Ky., won honorable mention in a prize essay contest, "Relation of Chemistry to the Home," given by the American Chemical Society.

The prize for the best essay of girl students in the dioceses of Covington, Louisville, and Indianapolis on, "Why Catholic High School Graduates Should Choose to Attend a Catholic College," was awarded to Sacred Heart Academy, Louisville.

Students of St. Benedict's Academy, Louisville, won two essay prizes and one in a speed accuracy test in which local commercial schools contested.

Two graduates of Notre Dame Academy, Covington, Ky., received \$100 prizes each for the highest average for three years at St. Xavier Law School.

St. Joseph Academy, Portsmouth, Va., won first prize in State Essay Contest, "The Good and Bad in Modern Dress"; Second and third prizes in State Federation Essay Contests, and first prize in the City Contest on the subject, "Where the Pavement Ends, Romance Begins."

In 1923 and 1924 St. Mary's Academy, Norfolk, Va., won second prize offered by the Elks for the best essay on Flag Day.

St. Patrick's Academy, Richmond, Va., was awarded first prize in the Irish History Contest and several first state prizes.

A graduate of Visitation Academy, Baltimore, Md., won first prize for the essay, "The Papacy As an Influence for Peace," and Mt. St. Agnes Academy, Baltimore, won second prize for the Washington Birthday Contest held by the Baltimore Catholic Review for the Catholic Schools of the Archdiocese of Baltimore and the Dioceses of Richmond and Wheeling. St. Catherine's Normal Institute won three prizes in the Maryland Chapter Essay Contest.

A student of Ursuline Academy, Wilmington, Del., was awarded a bronze medal for proficiency in French.

First prize was given to St. Mary's Academy, Providence, R. I., in the National Safety Essay Contest and nine prizes in local and state essay competition. Sacred Heart Academy, Providence, was also successful in several prize contests. St. Xavier Academy, Providence, received first prize in the Knights of Columbus Contest.

Mt. St. Joseph Academy, Hartford, Conn., received first prize in the Hartford "Daily Times" Essay Contest. Three thousand six hundred and ninety-five school children submitted essays for this award. In the Chemistry Essay Contest, "The Relation of Chemistry to National Defense," first prize for the best essay from all Connecticut high schools was awarded also to Mt. St. Joseph Academy, and a certificate of honorable mention was given for an essay on, "The Relation of Chemistry to Agriculture and Forestry."

The Immaculate Conception Academy, Davenport, Iowa, received first honorable mention in American Chemical Association National Contest among the 20,000 contestants in Iowa. Five scholarships for essays submitted were won by pupils of the same academy. Immaculate Conception Academy, Dubuque, Iowa, won two prizes in Catholic Essay Contests.

A prize offered by the Elks of Alton, Ill., for the best essay on Flag Day was awarded to a pupil of SS. Peter and Paul Academy. A gold medal and honorable mention to three students for the best essays on, "The Part Catholics Have Played in American History," were won by the Providence High School, Joliet, Ill. St. Patrick's Academy, Springfield, Ill., won the Lincoln Contest medal donated by the Springfield Watch Company, and St. Patrick's Academy, Chicago, won the medal in 1924. St. Patrick's Academy also won scholarships offered by Loyola and De Paul Universities and St. Xavier College; and third prize in National Essay Contest, on, "Why the United States Should Recognize the Irish Republic."

An art student of St. Xavier's College, Chicago, Ill., won the prize of \$50 given by the University of Loyola for the best poster for the "Pageant of Youth," which was presented by the students from the Catholic high schools and their alumnae at Loyola University last November. Six prizes for the most successful parts in the pageant were also awarded to St. Xavier pupils.

One of the five students who won essays in the contest on, "Greater Johnstown," conducted by the Johnstown "Pennsylvania Tribune," three came from St. John's School.

A senior in the Topeka Catholic High School, was one of the winners in the Constitution Oratory Contests held throughout Kansas, Southern Nebraska, Western Missouri and Northern Arkansas under the auspices of the Kansas "City Star."

St. Ambrose Alumnae Association, Des Moines, Iowa, has given time generously to the teaching of Catechism to foreign children in poor districts.

St. Vincent's Alumnae Association, St. John, New Brunswick, have presented several cash prizes for essay contests. Many of their members belong to the Catholic Woman's League of Canada and take an active part each year in its educational program, consisting chiefly of lectures by prominent men and women on various subjects of interest.

Maryland and Kentucky are greatly interested in foreign missions, and splendid reports have come from the chairmen of their respective schools.

Kentucky Chapter has centered its work on the formation of Parent-Teacher Associations. Their purpose has been to bring into closer contact the parent, teacher, and child. Quoting from their report, "It is a self-evident fact that if the home and school are united in sympathetic co-operation there will be a forward movement in education, and this union of purpose will enhance the work of the school. The I. F. C. A., recognizing the great value of Parent-Teacher Associations has endorsed them, and urges that these Associations be organized in all schools that appreciate the excellent results to be obtained through this co-operation."

The Chairman takes this opportunity to make known the fact that the generous co-operation of the Federation Sisters has made possible the compilation of these interesting and instructive statistics.

The foregoing brief resume of the accomplishments of the pupils in our schools gives a challenge to those who have questioned the worth and importance of our Catholic institutions. Ever mindful of this fact we can pray and hope for the not far distant realization of our ideal, "Every Catholic Child in a Catholic School, from Kindergarten Through College."

AFTERNOON SESSION

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, President, presiding

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICE

Miss Margaret O'Connell, Second Vice-President, Chairman

Prayer—Sister Mary Bertrand, St. Joseph's College, Emmitsburg, Md.

THE PRESIDENT: We regret very much the unavoidable absence, through illness, of the Chairman of the Department of Social Service, Miss Margaret O'Connell, who was to have presided at this meeting. She has asked me to announce to you what she feels has been a great work in her Department, the fulfillment of the pledge of \$1,000 for the National Catholic Service School Scholarship.

Among the movements initiated by women in the field of Social Service, that which is carried on by the Big Sisters, holds a conspicuous place. They have taken up their work with an earnestness that compels admiration, and one of their leaders has consented to give us an account of their achievements. Lady Armstrong is well known to the members of our Federation, and I have great pleasure in asking her to speak from this platform.

ADDRESS—"BIG SISTERS"

Lady Armstrong, Vice-President

International Federation of Big Brothers and Sisters

Your President has given a warm welcome to someone who comes as the spokesman of a movement which we like to think is going to be a helpful one to

the children of this great country. To Catholics it is particularly inspiring to know that the inception of the work started about three hundred years ago in France, with a group of women of the leisured class, when the great Father, and I might say Father of Social Service, Vincent De Paul, called into being in Paris a group known as the "Magistrate's Ladies." Their work was not quite the same as that of the Big Brother and the Big Sister movement, inasmuch as they covered all phases of the family life. The object of the Big Brother and the Big Sister is that of the individual woman, of the individual girl and the individual man and the individual boy, but of course, in going into the home of the small boy or small girl, in studying the background and the history, we have sometimes, in fact in many cases, to make our work that of the family visitor and the family friend.

The movement started in 1902 in the then new children's court in Manhattan, New York, when a group of ladies from the Association of Catholic Churches went into that court on its very first day to offer their services on behalf of the boy and the girl who might be brought before that bench. They were all amateurs. They were none of them graduates of a school of social service, but they had zeal, they had the spirit of Christ in their hearts. I can speak feelingly, because I was not, unfortunately, of that first band, and in anything I say this afternoon you will discount at once the element of personality.

I want, in this first opportunity of speaking before the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, to forcibly impress upon you that while the name "Big Brother," that splendid name, is to be credited to a Protestant gentleman, who was then the Clerk of the Children's Court—his idea was created by the group of women of the Association of Catholic Churches, ladies of the Church of St. Vincent De Paul, whom he had observed day in and day out, in the cold of winter, and in the heat of summer, working there as volunteers with no other object except the bringing of souls closer to the heart of the Master. Of course, when the Big Brother movement came into being, we all decided that for the sake of euphony, for the sake of conforming and working in more close and fervent cooperation, we would become Big Sisters, and so from that little group of Catholic women, headed by—and I think her name should go down to posterity—Mrs. John G. O'Keefe of New York—she has since gone to her eternal reward—there sprang into being an organized group of women, called "Big Sisters." From that small beginning have grown 245 organizations of Big Brothers and Big Sisters located in 156 cities, including eight of the United States and five provinces of Canada, as well as in Australia, England and New Zealand. We have already had our Sixth International Conference with delegates from all over this continent, from Australia, from New Zealand. We have not had any European delegates, because the work is as yet only in its beginning, but it is a movement that I firmly believe is going to grow and expand, because it has as its fundamental principle the idea of personal service, the idea of sacrifice, the idea of giving up self for the benefit of another, the idea of working out in the children, and attempting to develop the elements which those of us who are interested in the growing and the expansion of the immortal soul must always have very closely at our hearts. When I look out and see here a group of women from all over the world, it seems to me that the pinnacle has been reached.

It seems to me that the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, with all their magnificent educational and social service programs, is going to make a wonderful recruiting ground for the Catholic Big Sisters.

Now our work is not only Catholic. I would not be true to my principles, I would not be true to the Catholic doctrine, I would not be true to Catholic generosity, if I stood in this place without including the magnificently valiant band of Protestants and Jewish women who work with us day by day. I have said not once, but many times, that in the disorganized attitude of some of our brethren in this present day, in the many misunderstandings that seem to be the spirit of what should be liberty for every man to worship God in his own way, thank God there is a group of people who are not of our Church, in whose hands I would absolutely place the defense of Catholic principles, and I really refer at this moment to the Protestant and Jewish women who are working with us in New York. We have gone into Jewish temples. Last Sunday a week Mrs. Willard Parker, Mrs. Sidney Morgan and myself, spoke from a Presbyterian pulpit, and there were 20,000 Protestant Big Brothers and Sisters recruited as a result of our meeting.

The Protestant ladies will come into our churches and are cordially received. Our Cardinal in New York has commended the work being done by this group of men and women. It seems that while we are striving for the child we are trying to make him a better citizen. And what Catholic is not a good and loyal citizen of the land in which he is born? That is one of the inherent principles of

being a good Catholic. A good Catholic respects the Almighty God and the flag under which he belongs. First and foremost, those of us who are convent bred and convent educated, who love our Maker, who work humbly for Her whom we venerate above all women, our beloved Lady, Our Lady of the Federation, work, it is true, for the soul first, but we also nourish the body. We do not believe in saying, "Go to church, Tommy," when Tommy is hungry, and when he is naked, and when he has not a shoe to his foot. We try to make it a practicable, sensible thing that we do, to find the best way out of the problem for the boy and the girl, but we do inculcate also a spirit of loyalty to country.

And so, ladies, fellow convent girls of this Federation, beloved Religious, to whom every woman in this room owes so much, whose principles have been instilled into our very hearts, not only by our good mothers, but by our own devoted loving teachers, I ask you no matter from what corner of the country or the world you come, whether you come from Belgium or France or England or Ireland or Switzerland or Quebec, or any of the other standards under which you are seated to-day, that in your own communities you will find the Big Sister. If the Big Sister is not there, put her there, women of the Federation, and those of us in New York who started the movement will be at your service. We have an office; we have two executives; we have a great many things that can be aids to you. We have an International Federation, and we are at your service to disseminate information. We want the help of the women here, the women who are going into all forms of social service, and you need not confine yourselves to any one form. Some of us are serving on from 15 to 25 boards, and the busy woman always has time for one more job, especially if the job is for the Lord.

I really hate to leave without telling you something of the actual work. People always say, "What is a Big Sister?" "Why is a Big Sister?" Because there is a little sister. The work was founded primarily for the delinquent girl—that was, the older girl. We then did practically 99 per cent. of our work amongst the delinquent children who got into the Children's Court. We are now handling 21 per cent. delinquents, 78 per cent. preventive work, reaching the boy and girl before they get to the delinquent stage.

We have had wonderful results with the second generation; the married little sister brings her daughter back to us to know what convent school she should send her to, telling us, "I don't want my children to grow up in the atmosphere in which I grew up." Only last week one of our Big Sisters had a letter from a girl whom seventeen years ago she had been able to help, and who now took the trouble to map out the history of her family to show what had been done. Her husband has been in one job, where he had been placed by the Big Sisters, for ten years, her oldest boy with a clean war record, has married, and had won for himself an education, her two daughters are presidents of their Child of Mary Sodalties, and both in fine jobs. She said she had seen the name of the Big Sister who had helped her in the newspaper, and she thought after seventeen years her Big Sister would like to know that the day she came into her tenement house on 43d Street, east of Third Avenue, in New York, it seemed that the clouds of death were closing over, and there seemed nothing but starvation, the end of everything physical for them. In that house burned the divine spark which those of us who have been in the temples of the Mighty King, and the temples of the Holy Ghost, those of us who are the adherents of the Blessed Lady—know was that which kept that despairing mother always hoping against hope. To-day, seventeen years after, she sends back the bread that was cast upon the waters, wonderfully leavened by the yeast of gratitude.

Oh, dear women of the Federation, you are all doing wonderful things in your own States. As our wonderful speaker at lunch said, what a power womanhood is in the world, the great power of womanhood, and shall not we who are Catholic women, shall not we be the torches for the whole community? There is a great heritage given to us who are the children of Mary, and so in closing I want to ask you in her name that wherever you can spread the gospel of the Big Brother and the Big Sister, please, please do it.

I thank you very, very much, officers and members of the Federation, for your kindness in listening to me, for letting me have this opportunity of bringing a message to this great body of women, a body which, I am sure, has been the inspiration of Philadelphia ever since it came into convention. I want to thank you very humbly and sincerely for your personal kindness to me, and I want to leave with you that one thought—we are the daughters of the King of Kings; we are the little children of Mary; we are the loyal citizens of whatever country we belong to, but above all, we are the servants of the Master, working humbly, but, please God, zealously and efficiently in his vineyard.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF GIRLS' WELFARE

Miss Sara E. Laughlin, Chairman

My experience as chairman of the Bureau of Girls' Welfare is necessarily limited since I was not appointed until January, 1924. It seems, however, that sufficient time has elapsed for a more or less effective demonstration of the type of work which could best be undertaken by an organization such as this. I have tried to visualize our scattered membership, our necessarily volunteer staff, each with some other interest as a first obligation—by that I mean each has an obligation to family, profession or business, making, by right, a first claim on her time and energy. Thinking also of the activity for which this body, by reason of its educational training is best fitted, it seemed that a survey of their own town or city was most feasible and gave promise of best results. By means of this survey each local group will learn what is most necessary for the welfare of the girls of their own city and would naturally set about to help to supply it.

This survey should cover the following points:

1. What provision is there for religious education?
2. Personal service or council, through social agencies?
3. What provision for housing girls obliged to live away from home?
4. What provision for securing employment?
5. What provision for recreation?
 - a. Supervised.
 - b. Commercialized.

After making the suggested inquiry local groups should participate in the work of the Travelers' Aid (to this we have been pledged for years) and other protective agencies. As many as possible should serve as Big Sisters and take part in other agencies doing preventive work. If their community's inquiry shows a need for a girls' boarding home, room register or employment bureau, they should help establish these things either as independent operations or as part of some existing organization.

The chairman will try to keep informed on questions of girls' welfare so as to be of service to local chairmen and other members making inquiries and in directing them to sources of information. Whatever space is available for this department in the Quarterly Bulletin, should be used for articles of general girls' welfare interest, or to answer questions.

It would seem that these types of service are all that can safely be attempted by a volunteer staff. To make this much worth the effort it will cost, will require the co-operation of all governors. 1. In prompt appointment of people **who are or can be** interested in girls. 2. By making the subject part of their annual meeting program at least and bringing it before the members as often as seems feasible. Of course, I would say every meeting, because I believe we need to realize that in our girls lies the hope of the future.

I should like to ask you to pledge yourselves to work through all reasonable means for the discontinuance of the so-called Beauty Pageants. These contests seem to have become an established custom and have many possibilities for harm through undesirable notoriety, immodest dress, and vulgar display which is calculated to destroy the modesty which is the chief charm of beauty.

Suggestions for the future. If it meets with your approval, I should like to suggest that we continue our attempt to get women in different communities to make a survey of their own situation; that we ask for the co-operation particularly of the women in small town and rural communities in working out the proper kind of an outline for such an inquiry; that we think of the functions of the Bureau of Girls' Welfare in the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae as being:

1. To stimulate our members to making inquiry as to the needs in their Community.
2. To inspire them to participate in whatever organizations are already doing work for girls.
3. To stimulate these organizations to extend their activities to meet whatever conditions the committee discovers.
4. To use whatever space is available to us in the Quarterly Bulletin for an exchange of information and discussions.
5. To think of it as being an educational and informational service, rather than as initiating any definite piece of work that would be under International Federation of Catholic Alumnae auspices.

Mrs. Mary R. Pepperman, Chairman, Montgomery, Alabama, completed the survey which she has filed with the Bureau. Montreal, Canada, reports through the chairman, Mrs. Rosina Duckett, that survey has not been completed, but that work for the past two years has been confined to providing clothing for children attending parish schools. St. John's, New Brunswick, Canada, Miss Mary M. Chaisson, Chairman, works with the Catholic Women's League, which conducts a boarding home for girls known as Rosary Hall. Miss Katherine R. Judge, Chairman, Baltimore, Maryland, should have special commendation for the very complete survey which she compiled unaided and filed with the Bureau Chairman. Miss Judge makes the suggestion that parish halls might be used for Recreational and Athletic centers, and that the Federation might supply this by bringing it to the attention of other clubs. Miss Anne O'Mara, St. Louis, Missouri, has not completed survey, but reports Alumnae members assisted in weighing and measuring two hundred and fifty children in parochial schools. Miss Marie Bradley, a busy professional social worker, Chairman for Pennsylvania, organized a committee and undertook a survey in Philadelphia. She made a special attempt to cover the dance halls, which indicated that there is need for some one to be interested in girls who attend some of these dances. The Big Sisters Association and the White Williams Foundation of Philadelphia, have I. F. C. A. members serving on their Boards and on their staffs. Miss Kate Garvin, Chattanooga, Tennessee, contributes a valuable piece of criticism of the questionnaire for the survey outline. She says it is too elaborate for small communities like Chattanooga, where there is one Catholic Church, and one Catholic school within a radius of fifty miles, served by one priest. Their problems are providing religious instructions for children in the mountains and suitable homes for girls who come from mountains and rural districts for employment. The big job, as Miss Garvin sees it, is to arouse in the Alumnae a sense of responsibility for the "little sister." From Memphis, Tennessee, Miss Louise Nolan, sends a survey of local conditions, which indicates that the outstanding need is a comfortable home for Catholic girls. The benefit which the Chattanooga Committee feels they have received from making the survey is expressed in their own words, "We realize more than ever that we ought to do big things through the City Circle this year." The report of Mrs. Eva E. Childress, Chairman for Virginia, includes the following record of work accomplished by Alumnae Associations in the Chapter: one girl given two weeks vacation in a summer camp, hot lunches served to school children, tickets secured at reduced rates for working girls enabling them to enjoy much needed recreation, clothing of children for First Communion, donations to the Orphan's Shower. Miss Ida Braun, Chairman for Illinois, reports that the Illinois Chapter took an active part in promoting Girl Week in Chicago, where members are active in the work of the Catholic Women's Club, which conducts a boarding home, and in the Big Sisters Association, House of Good Shepherd Auxiliary, St. Anne's Day nursery, and foreign settlement work. In Joliet, Illinois, members teach Christian Doctrine in the Italian Church and co-operated with the Associated Charities, Visitation and Aid Society; one member is on the Public Health Council Board of Joliet.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF CHILD WELFARE

Mrs. Helen Whelan Reese, Chairman

The present program of the Bureau of Child Welfare we all recognize as being one sided, over-balanced as it were, since it touches but two phases of the subject: the school child and the dependent, defective and delinquent child. In our consideration of the subject, we must first learn to consider the child as a unit and not attempt to subdivide the various divisions of its life; for the prenatal, infant, preschool and school child are too intertwined, one with the other, to make successful any attempt to treat any of the divisions as an entity. However, in broadening our view of the subject, we do not enlarge it in treatment by individual groups, for as the program now stands it is impossible for any one group to treat the whole. What we gain is a more comprehensive grasp of the subject and larger possibilities for co-operation by individual groups. These groups may interest themselves in any one phase of the program; the compilation at the end of the year of the work done by all will give us a report which covers each and every phase of the program.

To attain the desired perfection in our treatment of the program we must

first of all have co-operation and co-ordinated effort. Co-operation is a much maligned word at present, but I use it for lack of a better one to express what I mean. To enlarge—we must first of all have a 100 per cent. appointment of State Chairmen of Child Welfare, whose responsibility it will be to foster some activity in child welfare in their own State. Then we must have a recognition on the part of the individual Alumnae groups of the necessity for carrying on some phase of our program. Then last, we come to what is by no means the least point for our consideration (I may even say it is the most important), and that is the means for focusing and consolidating our information on what IS done so that each State Chairman can tell at a glance what has been accomplished in Child Welfare work in her State, so that the International Bureau by writing to each State Chairman may be able to learn of the work in that State, all the information for which has been pooled in one place. I say this with all feeling of respect for the work so far accomplished by local groups, but I must add that the report of this Bureau could have been much more complete had there been some means of acquiring this information other than getting in touch with each separate local group. Concrete ideas for this organization should not be difficult to work out. It will mean a deeper sense of responsibility on the part of the State Chairman in encouraging the work in her State, as well as in keeping herself and her department accurately informed as to its progress. It will mean a realization on the parts of the local groups or Alumnae of the great necessity for reporting regularly and accurately the work they are doing. Only by such co-operation within the State Chapters can we ever hope to report from the International Bureau even a small portion of what is actually being done for child welfare.

As the first two points I have brought out are dependent largely for their success upon an acceptance upon your part of this last point, which again for lack of a better word I shall call co-operation, I ask of you that when you return home you will give this point some thought.

A last word to give you an example of what is possible in this regard. One of the Southern States sent us a short report on Health Supervision in the Catholic Schools. This report is significant because of the fact that it shows, first, work undertaken in the Catholic spirit and well performed, and secondly, it covers nine or ten distinct localities in that State and demonstrates effective co-operation between their State Chairman and the Bureau of Child Hygiene of their State. With the active support and assistance of the State Chapters and Alumnae we believe this same thing is possible throughout the Federation and it is for this broader conception and consolidation that I earnestly bespeak your thoughtful consideration.

From the District of Columbia we learn that the Social Service activities of the I. F. C. A. function through existing organized Catholic agencies in Washington. The report is varied in its activities shown and demonstrates splendid co-operation among the I. F. C. A. members. The Child Welfare work is carried on through the Christ Child Society and one of the outstanding features of it is the Dental Clinic where one of the I. F. C. A. members gave approximately 300 hours of her time last year, and others around 150 hours each. Another feature of this work commanding especial attention is the I. F. C. A. Automobile Service, through which the members respond to the needs of the work by transporting either the home visitors to the homes of the children or the children themselves to hospitals or clinics for treatment.

Colorado, while reporting no specific work, has two Federation members on the State Committee on Child Welfare and Social Legislation. The Federation plans a survey to learn how they may best co-operate with existing work, especially where no Catholic representation has formerly existed, and it is quite probable this will refer largely to the dependent child.

Kentucky reports that their work has been carried on through institutions affiliated with the I. F. C. A. and has included well worked out programs for health inspection of school children, weighing and general health supervision in Catholic Schools. These programs were prepared by the Chief of the Bureau of Child Hygiene of the State Department of Health.

From Minnesota, we have the report of the Holy Angel's—St. Margaret's Alumnae of Minneapolis, which has an active Social Service Committee, which by its co-operation and active assistance has supplied volunteer workers for the Margaret Barry Settlement House, where infant welfare work is carried on.

From the St. Vincent's Alumnae Association. St. John's, New Brunswick, Canada, we find definite and concrete co-operation with other organizations engaged in child welfare in St. John's, including among other things, a donation to the Free Health Center, assistance on tag day for the free Kindergarten and the care of a ward of tubercular children in one of the Hospitals at Christmas

time and assistance during the summer in the Playgrounds. This alumnae also returned the Questionnaire of the Bureau and the replies showed a comprehensive and varied knowledge of general health conditions in St. John's and New Brunswick.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF GIRL SCOUTS

Mrs. Nicholas Brady, Chairman

During the time that has passed since the 1922 Convention of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, the Girl Scout Bureau through the several state chairmen of the Federation has endeavored to bring to the members of the local chapter the message that they are needed in this great field of preventive social work. It is a pleasure to carry such a message; for what could be more interesting than recreation for our younger girls?

No group of women should be better fitted for this opportunity of guiding our younger girls in their leisure hours than graduates of our Catholic Schools and Colleges. The Catholic world looks to them for leadership in every phase of social work, and if they are true to their early training, they will respond to this call quickly and whole-heartedly.

Even a hasty glance at the field of social work leads to the conviction that organization in every line of social activity to-day is most intensive. If the graduates of Catholic schools are to take their place in this sphere of action they should endeavor to develop initiative and leadership in themselves and their younger sisters. The absence of these qualities begets diffidence, hesitation and failure where there should be confidence, enthusiasm, action and success. Coming in contact with existing organizations in the secular field they must know how to turn these forces to the advantage of the children of the Church.

Need we wonder that His Holiness Pius XI. has bestowed his blessing and approval on those who give themselves to the task of aiding the Girl Scout movement? He has consecrated his pontificate to the special care of Catholic youth. His broad vision and personal experience in working with Catholic girls at Milan have induced him to foster a project designed to strengthen the influence of the Church in activities which have become a part of the everyday life of our young women. In seeking recreation and social development under the auspices of the Church, the Girl Scout is given the opportunity to cultivate the necessary qualities of enlightened leadership. She is trained to exercise zeal with forbearance, energy with self-restraint, action with courtesy and discretion.

"On My Honor, I Will Try:
To do my duty to God and my country;
To help other people at all times;
To obey the Scout Laws."

The spirit of her activities, which permeates the program is one of honor, loyalty, usefulness, friendliness, courtesy, kindness, obedience, cheerfulness, thrift and cleanliness. These are the laws of the Girl Scout, and she promises to live up to them before joining the organization.

The Girl Scout brings enthusiasm and joy into homemaking. She learns to cook, to sew, to care for her younger brothers and sisters, and to undertake many other activities which center about the home. Her achievements in this field of endeavor are honored and recognized as worthy of the girl's best effort. The Girl Scout makes a conscious and a conscientious effort to live up to the simple rules of right living. She enjoys wholesome games and outdoor activities. On her hikes with a trained leader, she observes the birds, the trees, and the flowers, and what is more, learns how to protect them.

The program embraces community activities. Our Catholic women are of a necessity interesting themselves in civic improvements, and especially those which affect the home. The Girl Scout is directed early to try to acquaint herself with the facilities and needs of the community in which she lives. She learns how to make use of parliamentary usage in conducting her meetings and so becomes, while still very young, familiar with this necessary procedure. These activities are not essentially novel but they are interesting to girls because of the novel method with which they are presented in the Girl Scout program under the guidance of the right leader.

A Scout troop is made up of a group of girls in a given community who have

congenial interests. They form a self governing club, disciplined by the Scout Promise and Laws.

They select some activity and struggle away until sufficient skill has been acquired to earn a merit badge. It is much more fun to work for these badges if you know that all the other girls in the troop are doing the same thing.

The problem of leadership is most essential. Hundreds of our Catholic girls are waiting to become Scouts, but there are no leaders. Young women, twenty-one or more, who are willing to take a course in Scout leadership, are eligible as Captains. There is no greater service than to devote a few hours a week to our young girls and thereby help them to form a liking for sane, wholesome recreation.

Our Catholic Colleges have been most helpful in this regard. For the past two or three years a Girl Scout training course has been placed in the curricula for Juniors and Seniors. The following colleges have given such courses:

Fordham School of Sociology, New York.
New Rochelle College, New York.
Mount St. Vincent, New York.
St. Elizabeth's College, New Jersey.
St. Mary's College, New Jersey.
St. Joseph's College, Brooklyn, New York.
Manhattanville, New York.
Marymount, New York.
Trinity College, Washington, D. C.
Notre Dame College, Baltimore, Md.
Rosary College, Chicago, Ill.
St. Catherine's College, Minnesota.
St. Scholastica's College, Duluth, Minn.
Mary Manse, Toledo, Ohio.
College of the Immaculate Heart, Hollywood, Cal.

Briefer courses in leadership are given at Girl Scout Headquarters in any community where there is sufficient demand.

There is a place for many of us in helping with the Girl Scouts. When a Council is being organized in your community, the local chapter of the I. F. C. A. could take an active interest in its formation and see that really representative Catholics are appointed to the Council. Next, the program may be presented to the Sisters and the Clergy. It is very important that their interest be assured before starting the troop. An adequate meeting place is of course necessary and the local chapter could help in securing a suitable place. Most of all, we look to the members of the I. F. C. A. for our leaders. It is the desire of the bureau to make it possible for every Catholic School, institution, and academy to have its organization of Girl Scouts. The program has a sound value in developing character and helping our girls to a wiser use of their leisure time, in forming habits of health and mind that will be of permanent value.

The following is a summary of the work done by the Bureau according to the method adopted for extending the Girl Scout program:

A bulletin was prepared stating the purposes of the Girl Scout Bureau.

This bulletin was sent to each State Governor of the Federation with a letter asking her to appoint a State Chairman for the Bureau. Of the forty-eight states twenty-five responded, nineteen appointed chairmen, and the other six stated that they wished to defer appointment till a later time.

The nineteen chairmen received the Girl Scout bulletin and other literature with the request that they write for any help the national chairman could give them, and report their activities before September 1, 1924. Mrs. Thomas Garvan was appointed Chairman of Connecticut. She states ten cities were visited.

Hartford—has eight Catholic Troops; six I. F. C. A. girls have taken leader's training; four I. F. C. A. women on Local Council.

Waterbury—has one Catholic Troop; three I. F. C. A. women on Local Council.

Paucatuck—has two Catholic Troop; three Catholic women on Local Council.

Bridgeport—has three Catholic Troop—trained leaders.

New Haven—has four Catholic Troops; twelve trained Catholic Captains; four Catholic women on Council.

Norwalk—has three Catholic Troops; six Catholic leaders trained; two I. F. C. A. members on Council.

Willimantic—is organizing two new troops; have two trained leaders, and a Committee of five women backing the work.

Noroton, Manchester, Darien, were visited, but there is no Catholic interest there.

Miss Frances Lichtner was appointed Chairman of Illinois. She reports that at a meeting held in May at Joliet, the Girl Scout program was taken up in detail. Representatives of each Alumnae Association were asked to take up the question with their respective groups on their return home with the following points in mind:—First, to obtain leaders from the Alumnae; second, to interest the Sisters in the program; third, to start a troop in her Alma Mater with the younger girls. Three troops in Chicago are being helped by members of the I. F. C. A. at St. Xavier's Academy, St. Ambrose Parish House and Madonna Center.

Miss Louise O'Connor and Miss Olive Boisee were both appointed Chairmen of Kentucky. Miss O'Connor took the local training course and attended the National training camp. The approval of the Bishop of Louisville was obtained. Six academies in Louisville were visited and the program explained to the Sisters and the children. Members of the Local Chapter of the I. F. C. A. were urged to take the training course given at Local Headquarters.

Miss Mary Hebner of Baltimore was appointed Chairman of Maryland. For the past year a Catholic organizer has been in that city. She spoke before several of the Alumnae Associations and obtained twenty-five leaders who have taken training at Local Headquarters. Ten of these girls are now actively engaged in Scout work in Baltimore. The President of the I. F. C. A., Mrs. Benzinger, is the Catholic representative on the Girl Scout Council in Baltimore.

Miss Elizabeth Thatcher was appointed Chairman of Missouri. She received training at Manhattanville, New York, during her college course. On her return to her home she organized two troops in the Sacred Heart Academy in St. Louis.

The Governor of the I. F. C. A. for New York states that the Chairman of the Girl Scout Bureau will be appointed this fall to assist Catholic organizers in carrying on their work.

Miss Catharine Homan of Cincinnati was appointed Chairman of Ohio. She has taken a training course at the local office, has gone to several National training camps, and acted as Councillor at the Girl Scout Camp in California. She has interested several members of the Catholic Junior Service in taking training courses. Six troops are organized in Catholic schools with I. F. C. A. girls as leaders.

Miss Caroline Murphy of Philadelphia was appointed Chairman of Pennsylvania. The development of the Girl Scout work in that city has been under the direction of several I. F. C. A. members. Cardinal Dougherty's approval has been obtained. An I. F. C. A. member is on the Executive Board and most of the Girl Scout leaders have been secured through the Alumnae of the Catholic schools of Philadelphia.

Miss Evelyn Howington of Nashville has been appointed Chairman of Tennessee. She reports that the Bishop of Nashville was interviewed and his approval obtained. The assistance of I. F. C. A. members was offered to the Local Headquarters of the Girl Scouts.

Miss Eva Childress, Governor of the I. F. C. A. for the State of Virginia, reports that a Chairman will be appointed this fall. Two Girl Scout troops are organized in Richmond and are captained by I. F. C. A. members. Members of the I. F. C. A. are on the Council in Richmond and in Norfolk.

Mrs. B. Houston McCeney was appointed Chairman of Washington, D. C. A meeting was called in November by President of the Local Alumnae Association, and Chairman of the Social Service activities, members of the National Girl Scout organizations were invited to attend this meeting and explain the method of procedure in organizing the Scout troop. Six alumnae members are Scout Captains and are leading five Catholic troops in Washington.

Individual members of the I. F. C. A. are doing considerable work in spreading the program, if one may judge from the number of inquiries which come to National Headquarters and are turned over to this department.

This report is not a summary of the Catholic work done throughout the country by the National Girl Scout organization. It is merely a summary of the work reported to the National Chairman by each State Chairman of the Girl Scout Bureau of the I. F. C. A. during the past year.

EVENING SESSION

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger presiding

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Miss Florence A. Colford, Chairman

Prayer—Right Rev. Msgr. Edward A. Pace

The Credential Committee herby submits the following report:
Entitled to Vote:

Executive Board	13
Governors	26
Delegates	230
Total	269

Florence A. Colford, Chairman.
Marie Easby-Smith.
Alice Lucas.
Frances Harkness.
Rose Shea
Anna J. Keady.

REVISION OF CONSTITUTION

Miss Ada K. Gannon, Chairman

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

As Revised at the
Philadelphia Convention
October 21, 1924

PREAMBLE

The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, consisting of Alumnae Associations of Catholic High Schools, Colleges, and Universities in the United States of America and provinces of Canada, Belgium, Ireland, England, Switzerland, and France, founded in November, 1914, in the City of New York by Clare I. Cogan, A.M., and Mrs. James J. Sheeran, alumnae of St. Joseph's College, Emmitsburg, Maryland, Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, with the permission and blessing of James Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop of Baltimore, chartered under the laws of the District of Columbia, United States of America, May 19, 1924, with international headquarters at the Catholic University of America, Washington, D. C., and functioning, pro Deo et Doctrina, under the patronage of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, hereby pledges itself anew to the religious, educational, and charitable work of the Church and of the Catholic schools and adopts the following Constitution.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name

This organization shall be known as THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC ALUMNAE.

ARTICLE II

Object

The object of the Federation is to bring into communication the Alumnae Associations of Catholic High Schools, Colleges, and Universities, for the purpose of upholding the ideals of Catholic womanhood and of extending Catholic education, Catholic literature, and Catholic social service.

ARTICLE III

Membership

An alumnae association of any Catholic high school, college or university shall be eligible to active membership in the Federation.

ARTICLE IV

Officers

Section 1. There shall be officers of the Federation to be known as: the Honorary President, the Director, the President, the Vice-President, the Recording Secretary, and the Treasurer. These officers, four trustees, the chairman of the departments of Education, Literature, and Social Service, and Mrs. James J. Sheeran, co-founder, shall constitute the Executive Board.

Section 2. The Honorary President and the Director shall be elected by the Executive Board and may hold office for life.

Section 3. All elections shall be by ballot. A majority vote shall elect the President, the Vice-President, the Recording Secretary, and the Treasurer. A plurality vote shall elect the four trustees.

Section 4. The term of office shall be two years, and no officer or trustee shall be eligible for the same office for more than two consecutive terms. No two members of the Executive Board shall be elected from the same chapter. These limitations shall not apply to the co-founder or to the department chairmen. The co-founder, Mrs. James J. Sheeran, shall be a life member of the Executive Board.

Section 5. No person shall be eligible for office in the Federation who is not a graduate of an affiliated Catholic high school, college, or university, and of whose alumnae association she is not an active member.

Section 6. There shall be an Advisory Council consisting of the Director, the President, the Recording Secretary, the Treasurer, and the governors of chapters.

ARTICLE V

Meetings

Section 1. The Federation shall convene biennially at a time and place to be selected by the Executive Board.

Section 2. The Advisory Council shall meet upon the call of the Director.

Section 3. Special meetings may be called by the President with the consent or upon the direction of the Executive Board, or by the united action of any nine chapters, five of which shall be from the United States. The call for a special meeting must state the business to be considered and no other business shall be transacted.

ARTICLE VI

Amendments

This Constitution may be amended at a biennial convention by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present, provided that the proposed amendments shall have been submitted to the Executive Board two months prior to the date of the convention and shall have been appended to the convention call.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

Duties of Officers

Section 1. The Director shall be the guiding spirit of this Federation and the spiritual and educational interests of the organization shall be under his supervision. He shall preside at meetings of the Advisory Council.

Section 2. The President shall preside at all meetings and conventions of the Federation and of the Executive Board, and she shall be, ex-officio, a member of all committees, unless otherwise provided for by resolution. She shall fill all vacancies occurring on the Executive Board. She shall sign all orders for the disbursement of money, call special meetings of the Executive Board when necessary, and perform such other duties as may be appropriate to her office or imposed upon her by resolution either of the Federation or of the Executive Board. She shall appoint an Executive Secretary and a Corresponding Secretary who shall be members of affiliated alumnae associations, and such appointments shall have the approval of the Executive Board.

Section 3. The Vice-President shall act as President in the absence or disability of the President and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to her by the Executive Board.

Section 4. The Recording Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Federation and of the Executive Board. She shall receive and file all applications for membership, keep an accurate record of the membership of each affiliated association and report the same at the biennial convention. She shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Board and as are appropriate to her office.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall be required to give bond in such sum as the Executive Board may deem fit. She shall collect all moneys of the Federation and shall deposit them in banks approved by the Executive Board. She shall make only such disbursements as shall have been approved by the President and the Recording Secretary. She shall, whenever required, give the Executive Board all the information in her possession concerning the finances of the Federation, and at the end of her term she shall present a detailed report of receipts, disbursements and investments of the funds in her custody, and she shall submit her accounts and vouchers for audit to a committee of three appointed for that purpose.

ARTICLE II

Chapters and Circles

Section 1. A chapter of alumnae associations shall be organized within the District of Columbia, the several states of the Union, the provinces of Canada, and in each nation affiliated with the Federation. The chief executive of each chapter shall be designated as the governor thereof and shall be charged with the duty of promoting efficient organization in consonance with the object of the Federation.

Section 2. Where chapter organization has been perfected, the affiliation of an association with the Federation shall be through the chapter.

Section 3. A chapter may make by-laws for its own government, consistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Federation, and it may provide means for raising its own revenue.

Section 4. A chapter may authorize the formation of regional and city groups of individual alumnae whose associations are affiliated with the Federation. These groups shall be known as circles and their organization shall be in consonance with that of the chapter.

Section 5. No activity inconsistent with the object of the Federation shall be undertaken by any chapter.

Section 6. A chapter shall submit through its governor a report of its progress and work at the biennial convention of the Federation. Circle reports shall be submitted to the governor annually and a summary shall be included in the biennial report of the chapter.

ARTICLE III

Official Publication

Section 1. There shall be an official publication issued quarterly to be known as the Quarterly Bulletin of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae.

Section 2. The staff of the Quarterly Bulletin shall be under the direction of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IV

Executive Board

The Executive Board shall hold not less than three meetings during its term of office: one prior to the convention, one immediately following the convention, and one at the close of the first year.

Section 2. The officers and trustees shall elect the three department chairmen of Education, Literature, and Social Service. These chairmen shall have the privilege of voice and vote on the Executive Board and in conventions of the Federation.

Section 3. The Editor of the Quarterly Bulletin shall be elected by the Executive Board. She shall have a voice but shall not have a vote on the Executive Board or in the conventions of the Federation.

Section 4. The Executive Board shall appoint temporary governors for unfederated chapters.

Section 5. The Executive Board shall provide ways and means for carrying on the work of the Federation; may authorize expense, but not in any way in excess of the funds in the treasury; may call meetings, general and special, providing programs therefor; and may designate duties of officers and committees not specifically provided for in the by-laws.

Section 6. The Executive Board shall decide, on appeal, all differences which may arise in a chapter of the Federation, the decision of the Executive Board in each case shall be final; and the Board may, by notice in writing, terminate membership in the Federation of any chapter, or association within a chapter, refusing to abide by its decision.

ARTICLE V

Officers' Expenses

No salary or traveling expenses shall be paid to any officer other than the Executive Secretary whose emoluments shall be fixed by the Executive Board. Office expenses necessarily incurred in the business of the Federation and upon order of the President shall be allowed by the Executive Board. An honorarium shall be allowed the Director.

ARTICLE VI

Governors

Section 1. The governor of a chapter must be a resident of the district, state, province, or country from which she has been selected and she shall be a graduate of an affiliated high school, college, or university of said chapter.

Section 2. The governor shall receive all applications for membership and on approval shall forward the same to the Recording Secretary of the Federation with the initiation fees and current year's dues. She shall forward the required data on chapter organization and maintenance to the Executive Secretary and shall be responsible to the Advisory Council for the development of all department activities in the chapter.

ARTICLE VII

Coördination of Aims

Section 1. Each alumnae association shall work for the object of the Federation in these several ways:

(a) As a unit member of the Federation by furthering the object of the Federation as a whole under the direction of the Executive Board.

(b) Through membership in the chapter by working for the objects which concern the chapter.

(c) Through circles by working for the objects which especially concern the locality.

ARTICLE VIII

Autonomy

The Federation shall not in any way interfere with the government or violate the autonomy of any alumnae association affiliated with it; nor shall any alumnae association be liable for any debt contracted by the Federation or any chapter thereof.

ARTICLE IX

Committees

Section 1. Not more than two members representing one association shall be eligible to serve on any one committee of the Federation.

Section 2. There shall be three chairmen of standing committees: organization, ways and means, and printing.

Section 3. The chairman of organization shall advise chapters regarding the methods of organization; shall review all proposed chapter by-laws and amendments thereto and approve the same before final adoption by the chapter.

Section 4. The chairman of ways and means shall devise and propose ways and means to provide revenue necessary for the maintenance of the Federation and the accomplishment of its object, and her report shall be submitted for the approval of the Executive Board.

Section 5. The chairman of printing shall supervise all printing under the direction of the President. The printing of the Quarterly Bulletin shall be supervised by the Bulletin staff, subject to the approval of the President.

Section 6. Other committees may be appointed from time to time as the need may require.

ARTICLE X

Representation

Section 1. Members of the Executive Board, governors of chapters, and delegates from affiliated associations shall have voice and vote in international conventions. Vice-governors may serve as alternates in the absence of governors.

Section 2. Each alumnae association shall be entitled to one delegate. All such delegates shall be duly elected by their respective associations.

Section 3. An alternate may be elected by each alumnae association to serve in the absence of the delegate.

Section 4. International chairmen and the parliamentarian shall each have a voice, but shall not have a vote in the conventions of the Federation, unless holding credentials as delegates of their local associations.

Section 5. An association in arrears for the current year's dues shall not be entitled to representation at the convention.

ARTICLE XI

Dues

Section 1. Each alumnae association shall pay an entrance fee of (\$5.00) five dollars. An association of 100 active members or less shall pay an annual tax of five dollars (\$5.00); an association having an active membership between 100 and 300, an annual tax of ten dollars (\$10.00); and an association in excess of 300, an annual tax of fifteen dollars (\$15.00). Dues shall be payable on January first of each year and a penalty of one dollar (\$1.00) shall be exacted when dues are six months in arrears.

Section 2. On dues of five dollars (\$5.00), one dollar (\$1.00) shall be paid by the Treasurer to the Business Manager of the Quarterly Bulletin for one subscription to the Bulletin; on dues of ten dollars (\$10.00), two dollars (\$2.00) shall be paid for two subscriptions to the Bulletin; and on dues of fifteen dollars (\$15.00), three dollars (\$3.00) shall be paid for three subscriptions to the Bulletin. The Treasurer shall send to the Business Manager of the Quarterly Bulletin on August first all subscriptions included in dues by alumnae associations affiliated before July the first.

Section 3. An alumnae association which fails to pay its annual dues for three consecutive years shall forfeit its membership in the Federation.

Section 4. An alumnae association may resign from membership in the Federation only when in good financial standing.

ARTICLE XII

Elections

Section 1. There shall be a nominating committee composed of a delegate from each chapter represented at the convention. The delegate shall be elected at the convention by her chapter delegation. The nominating committee may present two candidates for each office to be filled by election. Nominations may also be made from the floor.

Section 2. Any active member, as provided in the Constitution, is eligible for office in the Federation; but no absent member shall be nominated unless absolute assurance is given by the person making the nomination that the nominee will accept the office if elected.

Section 3. The President shall appoint a chairman of elections who shall supervise the details of the election; and the chairman shall have such assistants as may be necessary to act as tellers of the ballot.

ARTICLE XIII

Quorum

Section 1. Thirty delegates representing at least four chapters shall constitute a quorum in any convention meeting.

Section 2. The quorum of the Executive Board shall be a majority of its members.

ARTICLE XIV

Parliamentary Authority

The Federation shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order in all things not contrary to the Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE XV

Agenda

The Agenda of a convention shall be left to the discretion of the Executive Board, but shall be included in the official call of the Convention.

ARTICLE XVI

Amendments

Section 1. These By-Laws may be amended at any convention by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present. All proposed amendments shall be sent to the Recording Secretary two months prior to the biennial convention and shall be appended to the call for the convention.

Section 2. These By-Laws may be amended at any biennial convention without previous notice by unanimous consent, but not at the same meeting at which the amendment is proposed.

MORNING SESSION

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1924

DEPARTMENT OF LITERATURE

Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, A.B., Third Vice-President, presiding

Prayer—Reverend Mother Borgia, Sisters of Mercy, Buffalo, N. Y.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, A.B.

For two terms of two years each, it has been my happy privilege to serve this organization as Chairman of the Department of Literature. With this honor came a weight of responsibility and confusion of purpose. The way to do a constructive International work for Catholic Literature was not clear at first. In order to plan a working outline it was necessary to confer with many thoughtful people who had solved similar problems. Each proposed line of action had to be considered from many angles. But it has been the actual contact with this organization, the quality of its response and its magnificent possibilities that have been the real factors in the growth of this Department and in the shaping of its policies.

For those who were not at the Louisville Convention and who may not be familiar with the general plan of this Department, a brief summary of its work in the first two years may be helpful and will serve as a basis of comparison for the report of to-day.

Four years ago it seemed to your Chairman and her assistants that the outstanding literary need of our Catholic women was a systematic encouragement for them to read better books. With this in view, this Department issued a book list which was short and designed to be as attractive as possible in content. Each one present knows that a memorandum attached to your library card or a small reminding slip in your purse when you go to your book dealers are helpful aids in the selection of your reading material. And each one of us knows too, that too often, we have no reminding slip at hand when we need it, and so we purchase, or take on our library card the month's best seller. For the name of the best seller we need no memorandum. Thrust at us in show type from every newspaper, journal and shop window it comes readily enough to mind. Very often the book that we bring home with us in this haphazard fashion, is notorious for its daring, and disgusting in its tritenesses and its pervading unmorality—if not actual immorality. Monsignor Belford, who is on our platform this morning, has said that too often these books are not heavily enough on our consciences; that not infrequently the reading of them is in itself a mortal sin.

Convent trained women with their refinement and culture so far above the average of the woman of the day; with their membership in this organization clearly defining for them their position in society as exemplars of trained Catholic womanhood, cannot afford to waste their golden hours on the trash that is known as "Popular Fiction." To each of us, a book, like a friend, should come well recommended before we give it our consideration and our time. And rather than waste our efforts on the vulgar and the cheap, consider for a moment the magnificent alternative we Catholics have in our priceless heritage of history in Literature, in Art, in Sacred Music in the affairs of nations and the destinies of empires, reading that so many of us ignore when we might each day find much new material to enrich our Catholic background.

The first little list was published with something of this in view. The response that it received showed that there was an urgent need for a list of some kind, for in the first two years 11,000 copies were asked for and distributed. With the list we issued a pledge card which said "I hereby pledge to ask for and to read one Catholic book from a public library, each month for one year." This pledge card had for its purpose the development of the habit among our women of asking for the more serious books at the public libraries. It is a fact that you may go into any public library in this or any other city and ask for "The Life of Cardinal Wiseman," for instance, or "A History of the Church" in some of its earlier periods, and you will find almost without fail that the last time the dusty book that you receive was out of that library was in 1899 or near it.

Our list, however, had a weakness which did not long escape notice. Your Chairman had evolved the first list from the books of her own experience, and with a fine enthusiasm included in it eight different varieties of sea stories. The first jolt came in a letter from a young lady in the far west, who, writing a gracious

little note of thanks for the book list which she had received, asked naïvely, "Would you pardon me if I inquire if your father was a sea faring man?" So much for my Conrads, Melvilles, Lincolns and Connolleys. But that letter taught a lesson. No one person can plan a book list satisfactorily to large numbers of people. A **successful** list must be the result of many people's reading experiences.

With the second term of office a board of consultors were invited to contribute to the new list and to pass upon the pledge card. This Board included our Right Rev. President, Bishop Shahan, our Director, Monsignor Pace, Bishop Molloy of Brooklyn, Monsignor John L. Belford, Father John Wynne, Mrs. James J. Sheeran, Blanche Mary Kelly, Miss Mary Elizabeth Brennan, and three sisters of three different communities. The present list was the result, and there was a decidedly increased demand for this list. In the past two years 36,000 copies have been actually requested and distributed. The work actually meaning that the lists were not thrown about promiscuously.

Thirty-one newspapers, Catholic and secular, have printed the list in full.

Thirty public libraries have accepted the list and many have expressed a willingness to hang it where it would be readily found. In several instances, the librarian wrote your chairman that several books on the list, not on their shelves at that time, would be purchased at once. Among the books specified for purchase were the works of Enid Dinnis; Maurice Francis Egan's "St. Francis"; John Ayscough's "Three French Windows" and "A Letter to His Mother."

Reading Circles having no affiliation with this organization wrote that they were following the book list for their winter's course. This list has been hung up in the vestibules of churches, it has been discussed in many English classes and it has travelled to strange and far corners of the world. Indeed, I wish it were possible for me to present to you ladies of this convention, the correspondence of this Department in book form. It would make an inspiring volume.

But there are many other concrete results. Eleven thousand pledge cards were signed and returned in these two years. The pledge card total did not increase in the volume that the book list did, for 11,000 cards had been signed in the preceding two years. The pledge card, however, has been more difficult and I urge you now to think about it and discuss it in the time allotted for discussion after the reports are over. Our members seemed to think that the word "pledge" bound them morally to fulfill the stated requirements. For this reason, many declined to sign. This has seemed to your Chairman a very laudable stand. It is far better to decline to sign than to sign flippantly. It is evidently the word "pledge" itself that is the difficulty, yet it is almost more difficult to find a satisfactory substitute for it. The pledge card, however, more than fulfilled its mission. Many of those who signed have written that they have completed their year's reading, have greatly enjoyed it and will sign again. The question for you to consider and to discuss is, "Is the pledge card worth retaining?"

This question need not be asked of the book list. There is an actual need for such a list, and the enormity of the demand is astonishing. The problem of the book list is, however, that we need it published annually, rather than biennially, and quarterly if possible. With each few months, books are published that our members **should** know of **at once!** Take for instance, in the past year: "The Life and Letters of Mother Stuart"; Gilbert Chesterton's "St. Francis of Assisi"; Lucille Borden's "The Candle Stick Makers"; Ida Tarbell's "In the Footsteps of the Lincolns" and several others. These glorious books should not have to wait for a list published a year later. But there lies the problem. If 36,000 have asked for a list in the past two years, how can we reach this number of perhaps 50,000 women, four times a year, instead of once in two years? It has been suggested that we do it through the medium of the press. This has points in its favor, but of the 36,000 Federation women that we want to reach **personally**, not one-half might see the published list. Would it be advisable to consider the establishing of a mailing list and sending the book list quarterly? To charge a fee for it would hamper the work. Free dissemination of the list is desirable, but it represents a huge task and a great expense.

Ladies of the Convention, this report is only a prospector's chart of a vast region. As Chairman of this Department I frankly say to you that my co-workers and I have only scratched the surface of this department's possibilities. The vein of virgin metal lies beneath and to my successor, whoever she may be, if she will give of her enthusiasm and more freely of her time than it has been possible for me to do, in the next few years you will find this department internationally influential and reaping its golden harvest. If there is any member present who feels that she could develop this work in her state or in her city, I ask her to please leave her name and address and alumnae address with the secretary.

In conclusion, I wish to pay my tribute to the officers with whom I have

worked, and to our President, Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, whose vision, never failing courtesy, promptness and efficiency, have contributed much to the success of this Department, to State Governors, to Committee Chairmen, to each member present whose generous co-operation has made this report possible.

REPORT OF PRESS BUREAU

Mrs. Mary Trudelle Emerson, Chairman

To inculcate a taste for Catholic literature is one of the duties of our schools, and one of the methods to be used is that of interesting the students in current Catholic topics, and in the works of living Catholic writers. With this thought in mind the Catholic Press Bureau of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae has endeavored to establish in every affiliated school a Press Hour, once a week, for the reading of Catholic papers, magazines, and the Federation Bulletin.

Owing to delay of state governors in naming state chairmen for the term 1923-1924, this Bureau did not commence activities until May 15, 1923, at which time a circular was sent to the chairmen, then appointed outlining duties and giving suggestions.

In October, 1924, a letter and questionnaire were sent to each chairman with the request that a copy of this letter and questionnaire be forwarded to each affiliated school in her State.

I regret to say that this last effort met with little response. However, much credit must be given Illinois and Nebraska and Texas for their splendid co-operation. It is unnecessary to give a detailed report on this questionnaire but a brief summary shows that "America," "Truth," "The Extension Magazine," and "Columbia" are found in all the schools, besides many, many other excellent Catholic papers and magazines. "Almost every school" reports the Bulletin on its reading table.

Every encouragement is given pupils to read these periodicals, in some schools it being an integral part of English, History and Science classes; editorials serve as excellent models for that type of work; Book Review Columns are searched for the Catholic opinion of late volumes; special articles form subjects for class debate; themes are chosen from these publications; special topics are assigned which necessitate consulting Catholic periodicals; and literary clubs are formed for the study of Catholic topics.

All papers are easily accessible, and most schools have some special person in charge of this work—usually the English teacher or the Federation Sister—other schools simply place the periodicals on the reading table in the library.

Every school reports that general library work is encouraged in every way possible. The Illinois chairman says, "The interest taken in library work and the number of Catholic girls, members of our Federation, occupying positions in our public library is increasing steadily. The vice-governor of Illinois Chapter is an assistant in the Children's Room at the Chicago Public Library and members of several other associations are in the same Institution."

In addition to the replies to the questionnaire Missouri, Texas, and Illinois sent in many newspaper clippings showing that splendid publicity is given to Federation activities in the daily press.

The fact that so few State Chairmen submitted reports may be due to lack of co-operation on the part of affiliated schools. Many chairmen wrote apologizing for delay and promising to make one more appeal for prompt response. I feel sure that this meagre report does not represent all the work done, for many schools with splendid records of Catholic Press work done in 1921-1922 made no report this year, but there is no reason to believe that they are not still carrying on.

In conclusion, I wish to urge every I. F. C. A. governor to appoint state chairmen as early as possible and see that the work is energetically pushed

REPORT OF MOTION PICTURE BUREAU

Miss Marie A. Toye, Chairman

December, 1922—At the close of the preceding term, the Federation, through the Motion Picture Bureau, joined the Committee on Public Relations, New York City. Feeling that some one in closer physical touch would bring us nearer to the motion picture problems, I asked Mrs. Thomas McGoldrick to act as alternate on that Committee. Her report is herewith appended.

January, 1923—Received from Federation Headquarters, list of State Chairmen appointed to the Bureau, totalling to date, twelve chairmen.

February, 1923—Letters outlining plan of work and suggestions for furtherance of this plan were sent to each state chairman.

1923-24—Throughout the year, various communications, pamphlets, clippings, letters, etc., numbering more than a hundred were distributed, in the hope that enthusiasm might be enlivened and spirited work effected.

May, 1924—Requested of chairmen, reports of their respective committees.

October, 1924—Forwarded to Convention Headquarters, Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, reports from five states, namely, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New York and Ohio.

The Motion Picture Bureau has been asked many times to express itself on the question of censorship. The writer realizes that wiser thinkers than she differ widely in their opinions on this subject. Hence, she has no desire to insist on her own view regarding the subject. In fact, she thinks that the difference of opinion is due to many practical difficulties in the way of censorship rather than in the idea itself. Objectively or theoretically speaking, censorship is necessary and should be enforced. In practice it seems impossible.

The first difficulty is the inability of censors and public to agree on standards. For example, there is a great difference of opinion to-day on how far religious subjects should be used in the movie industry. Some claim that the movie brings religion to millions who never go to church or hear anything about God. Others say that to such the movie will never be of any real religious value. Still others ask, how many converts the movie has made? They say "by their fruits you shall know them." They add, the only conversions that mean anything are those made through the real preaching of the gospel in church—that a commercialized gospel never saves souls. They say you cannot serve two masters—"you cannot serve God and Mammon." The stage or screen that this week shocks and scandalizes, cannot teach virtue and faith next week. The producer who collects his shekels for a scandalous performance to-day, cannot make us believe that it is his love of God and zeal for His glory that makes him transform the stage into a church to-morrow.

And thus the discussion goes on. You will not find fault with the writer then, if she declines to be the judge and jury in this difficult and many-sided controversy. She mentions just a few points to urge others with more experience, to work for a solution of the problem.

1. All agree that pictures of an immoral, irreligious or vicious character should be forbidden.

2. Until some working method of prevention is discovered, it should be within the province of the police department to act as it does on other questionable matters.

3. The story of the attempts of state censorship and the actual results achieved thereby, should be compiled for future intelligent guidance of producers.

That the movie is a potent force in forming American ideals is acknowledged by all. How it can be held to lofty standards, however, when disintegration is felt in the churches and God is banished from education, is a problem as deep as the unrest in our religious, social and educational life.

REPORT OF THE THEATRE BUREAU

Miss Mary Elizabeth Brennan, Chairman

The "Theatre Bureau" of the Department of Literature has acted mainly in an advisory capacity, by replying to numberless inquiries from schools, alumnae and individuals who seek information regarding the right kind of plays for amateur productions,—where they may obtain lists of such plays, and details concerning their use.

Several state Chairmen have been appointed, with whom the International Chairman has tried to keep in touch, by sending the pamphlet of the Department of Literature which contains the aims and purposes of the Theatre Bureau, and by replying to their inquiries.

Among those seeking information were the Rosati-Kain Alumnae of St. Louis which has a Dramatic Club of good standing, an alumnae of Jackson, Miss., with a similar Dramatic Club, St. Mary's Alumnae, Norfolk, Va., which planned to organize a Catholic Drama Guild, and letters from Portsmouth, Augusta, Baltimore, Corydon, Indiana, Louisville and Cincinnati notifying the Bureau of appointments of Chairman or requesting Catalogues of plays.

AUTOGRAPHED VOLUMES FOR THE CATHOLIC SISTERS COLLEGE,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Miss Mary J. Elcock, Acting Chairman

The most valued volume received by the Chairman of Autographed Books is "Climbs on Alpine Peaks," by Abate Achille Ratti, now His Holiness, Pope Pius XI. The Holy Father has autographed the volume in his own hand and has written under the frontispiece "How wonderful is the Lord on High." The book was presented through the Alumnae of the Holy Child, Sharon Hill, Pennsylvania, who also secured the following volumes: "Have Faith in Massachusetts," "Calvin Coolidge," "George Washington," "Woodrow Wilson," presented and autographed by Edith Bolling Wilson; "The Pearl of Paray," Louise Wheaton; "Ballad of St. Barbara and Other Verses," G. K. Chesterton; "Success in a New Era," "The Educated Classes and Bogus Religions," "Medical History of Sculpture," all by James J. Walsh, M.D., Ph.D.; "The Reason for Sodalities of the Blessed Virgin Mary," Dr. Austin O'Malley; "Sketches of the Three Earliest Roman Catholic Priests in Boston," Percival Merritt; "The John B. Murphy Oration in Surgery," presented by James J. Walsh, M.D., Ph.D.; "Life of Bishop John N. Neuman, C.S.S.R.," Very Rev. F. Maguire, C.S.S.R.; "Les Devoilees du Caucase," La Duchesse de Rohan; "Da'ad," Chekri Ganem; "La Vraie Vie," Comtesse de Baint-Laurent; "Angele de Foligno," Ernest Hello.

The Notre Dame de Namur Alumnae, Philadelphia, Pa., presented "In God's Country," Rev. Neil Boynton, S.J., and "Teacher and Teaching," Rev. Richard Tierney, S.J. From the Eden Hall Alumnae of the Sacred Heart, Torresdale, Pa., came "Points of Friction," Agnes Repplier, and "Rebuilding a Lost Faith," John L. Stoddard. St. Leonard's Alumnae of the Holy Child, Philadelphia, secured "Kendrick-Frenaye Letters, 1830-31," Rev. F. E. Tourscher, O.S.A. St. Matthew's High School Alumnae, Conshohocken, Pa., presented the following list: "The Ancient Journey," A. M. Sholl; "Educating a Child At Home," "Bookless Lessons for the Teacher-Mother," Ella Frances Lynch; "Sacrament of Friendship," "Charity of Christ," "Courage of Christ," "Obedience of Christ," "A Divine Friend," Rev. Henry C. Schuyler, S.T.L.; "The Dim Lantern," Temple Bailey; "The Mystery of the Red Flame," George Barton; "Herself and the Household," T. A. Daly; "Danton and the French Revolution," Charles F. Warwick; "One Hour with Him," Rev. Monsignor J. L. J. Kirlin; "The Last of the Tudors," Amelia Deventer Von Kunow; "The Legend of the White Cloud," Willard Parker. St. Xavier Alumnae, Beatty, Pa., gave the following works of Rev. Edward Garesché, S.J.; "War Mothers," "The World and the Waters," "Children of Mary," "The Four Gates," "Your Interests Eternal," "Your Neighbor and You," "To Margaret Mary in Heaven," "The Most Beloved Woman," and also two volumes of Mary Roberts Reinhart, "More Tish" and "Affinities and Other Stories."

AFTERNOON SESSION

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, President, presiding

Prayer—Sister Mary Assumpta, St. Catherine's Institute, Baltimore, Md.

SESSION OF THE QUARTERLY BULLETIN

THE PRESIDENT: Ours is truly a time when sane and level minds are necessary to guide the nation, now awakening to the need of a great renovation. Gifted with such a mind is our distinguished guest. His simple life, his earnest purpose, his vigor and virtue, breathe moral strength and principles of truth upon all who come in contact with him. From its inception he has been the staunch friend of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae. His broad scholarship and culture based upon a foundation of faith, strong as Peter's and as loyal, all contribute to make this noted prelate one of the most polished, most prominent foundation stones of this now world-famed organization. With esteem and gratitude, I have the honor of introducing one of the Federation's most appreciated friends—Monsignor Belford.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES, PATRON OF CATHOLIC WRITERS

Right Rev. John L. Belford, Ph.D.

One of the notable events in the Pontificate of Pope Benedict XV. is the act by which he made St. Francis de Sales the Patron of Catholic Writers.

When the Pope makes a saint a special patron, it is no idle ceremony. It

shows that he has made a deep study of the saint and of the work over which he places him as patron.

This will appear to anyone who gives a little thought to the subject. When Leo XIII. made St. Thomas the Patron of Catholic Philosophers, the choice came from one who had devoted many years to the study of the saint and the subject. Indeed, it is doubtful if there was in the world in the Nineteenth Century any one who knew the two as did the great Leo.

The choice of St. Francis by Benedict XV. was more of a surprise. But reflection showed that while there were others who had written more, there was none whose spirit and method was more fitting for Catholic writers, especially in our era. St. Francis was so well informed, so gentle and so persuasive and withal so successful that we must admit the Holy Father's choice was wise and inspiring.

A patron is a model. He is chosen because he has done something so well that the Church does not hesitate to point to him and bid us follow him.

Men have always learned more from example than from precept. That is one reason why God sent His Son into the world. He lived among men that they might learn of Him the meaning of life and the value of service. St. Paul recognized this principle when he appealed to his converts, "be ye imitators of me as I am of Christ Jesus"; "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus." In the light of this, we can appreciate his declaration that we have been called "to be made conformable to the image of God's most dear Son."

The Christian is a follower, that is a pupil, of Christ. He is our Patron, our perfect model. With our eyes fixed upon Him, we learn obedience, self-denial and the perfection of service.

In every age there has been criticism of the demand of Christ, "learn of Me." It is unfair, the critics say, to expect mere man to lead the life of the divine Christ. With our limitations, we can only hope to aspire and admire; we cannot hope to achieve.

The objection would be valid if Our Lord had not provided for us the blessed element of grace—that gift of God by which we communicate and share in His nature and life. He who invited us to come to Him has promised, "ask and you shall receive." St. Paul had a long series of bitter trials, but did not hesitate to say, "I can do all things in Christ Jesus who strengthened me." The Church has set the seal of her approval on the axiom, "to him who does what in him lies, God will not deny His grace." Moreover, she points to thousands of men and women, like ourselves, who in every age and in every circumstance have followed Christ so well that they have deserved to hear the divine approval in, "well done, thou good and faithful servant."

There is a Patron for every condition and profession. The Blessed Virgin is the Patron of Womanhood. St. Joseph is the Patron, not only of the Church, but of the Husband, the Father, the Worker. Before us are arrayed model teachers, scholars, men and women. We need mention only few, like Augustine, Jerome, Chrysostom, Athanasius, Aquinas; Agnes, Cecelia, Agatha, Lucy; youths, like Pancratius, Aloysius, Stanislaus—all these have made their lives sublime by following Our Lord and imitating His example.

There is no winter in the gardens of God. There, sanctity is perennial. But there are times when those gardens are unusually fruitful and beautiful.

The Sixteenth Century brought about the great revolt but it also brought valiant champions of truth and splendid examples of virtue. Among them was the Patron of Catholic Writers.

This is a practical age. It demands evidence. It is, moreover, the age of the Press. Books and papers are almost as numerous as the leaves in the autumn. But all these books are neither good nor useful. Some of them have done great harm. But some have done almost infinite good. Among the good books, the Church has always counted the works of St. Francis. In them are sound doctrine, wide experience and true Christian gentleness.

Most writers use their pens too soon. They do not wait for the acquisition of knowledge or experience; they assume or pretend that they possess them. Not so St. Francis. His books came from a mind well trained and fully equipped with sound doctrine. From his very youth, he had been a student and great ability made his study fruitful. Besides, the natural light of genius, he had the blessed light of faith. In that light he lived and wrote.

For many years Francis was a student in worldly schools. These years were not without fruit. They enabled him to understand the point of view of men of the world. They showed him that in the world there are thousands who do not know the truth because they have not had a teacher. Such men cannot comprehend things supernatural. This knowledge made St. Francis one of the most tolerant of men. It made him gentle in his attitude to error and zealous to bring

light to them that dwelt in darkness. While others preached, he wrote and printed. He knew that the printed page would reach thousands who would not listen to a preacher; that that page, with its permanent message, was much more effective than the fleeting word, which often requires study to produce comprehension and conviction. While he preached in season and out of season, he plied his pen with tireless vigour and poured out message after message setting forth truth and inspiring virtue. These messages were so sound, so clear and withal so simple and gentle that they won the attention and excited the admiration of thousands. Even where they did not convert, they won esteem and friendship. Only God can measure the work of this faithful disciple of the gentle Jesus. For more than three hundred years the words he wrote have lived. They have been read by all classes and they have to-day the same effect that they had when they first fell upon human vision. They have, moreover, kept St. Francis alive as well as active. He instructs and inspires us as he taught and inspired our fathers. To many of us, he is a familiar friend, a safe guide and a bright example.

History repeats itself. Our age is like the past ages. Human nature does not change. Life in this century is no more and no less a battle than was life in the Sixteenth Century. We have the same ideals, the same friends, the same foes. The powers of darkness never sleep. They change their plans, their methods and their weapons, but they never cease to attack truth and justice; they never cease to war on the Church. Their leader is a fallen arch-angel. Fallen though he is, he has not lost his angelic nature. He knows the value of the pen and the press better than we do. In his service, he has enlisted thousands. He has called them from the heights. He does not want ignorance or mediocrity. He wants genius. Wherever he finds it, he tries to pervert it. He underlines it with pride or passion and turns it against God and man. Many and great are his conquests. The shores of time are strewn with the wrecks of genius. Not to speak of the times before our era, call to mind some of the geniuses whom Satan has contrived to blind or in some way pervert. Their names would make a formidable litany. Origen, Tertullian, Arius, when the Church was young; Voltaire, Rousseau, Hume, Gibbon only yesterday; Ingersoll, Fiske, Emerson and Anatole France in our own day—these and thousands of others had genius, but they used their genius badly.

It is not surprising, then, that the Holy Father, himself a writer and a man of books, should choose for the Patron of Catholic Writers St. Francis de Sales, the sound scholar, the tireless teacher, the gentle, tolerant and refined writer. In making this choice, he urges us to acquire the light which faith sheds on the world of truth; to acquire the solid and thorough education which informs the intellect and disciplines the will; to temper zeal with charity. Thus armed and thus minded, the Holy Father urges us to write truth clearly, forcibly, persuasively; to present true doctrine, true history, true morality.

The mind of man craves truth. The nature of man needs truth. Many people do not know where to find it. Many more, deluded or embittered, turn away from the sources where they could find it. If we cannot lead them, they will perish. The field is white; the harvest is great. Few can attain the heights, but many can allay prejudice and convince others of the sweet reasonableness of the Church and her doctrines.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF THE QUARTERLY BULLETIN

Mrs. James J. Sheeran, Co-Founder

The Quarterly Bulletin of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae needs no introduction to the active members of this association. In planning the program, your Editor anticipated the strain of the evening session on revision, having lived through a similar experience at the Chicago Convention, and so if the hard facts of Bulletin making seem bare of literary merit in report, at least they keep strictly to the subject matter under consideration. Emerson says "Details are melancholy"—so you have been spared unnecessary verbiage.

That the Quarterly Bulletin has for the first time been accorded a Session at Convention is a graceful acknowledgment of its importance in the work of this organization.

The Bulletin has had many successive changes, each administration reaching out to find the best for the magazine in a rather experimental way. Even the Staff changed titles with each election. This administration has made several important changes, the most vital being the printing of the Bulletin by the

Paulist Press, and the adoption of a definite plan. It was a decided step in the forward direction when on January 15, 1923, a formal outline for the Bulletin was issued by the President covering the following topics: Policy of Bulletin, Execution of Bulletin Policy, a Page Plan. This outline was mailed to the Board of Directors, the Staff and the Contributing Editors. The three topics are clear, helpful and comprehensive, and have been highly commended by the Staff. This definite working basis of the President proved very practical. On October 8, 1923, nine months later, the following report was sent to the President and Executive Board in Session in Chicago:

"The Bulletin of this administration began with the March issue, 1923. Two numbers followed—one in June, the other in September. These were published on time and paid for out of Bulletin funds. There has been no financial embarrassment and no difficulty in securing valuable manuscript without honorarium. As His Lordship, Bishop Shahan, pointed out long ago, prominent writers and speakers seek outlet in the I. F. C. A.

"The remarkable increase of the Alumnae News Section and the Advertising Department indicates an appreciation of our publicity value. The increase also shows conclusively, that either the schedule of pages must be changed or the Bulletin must be enlarged from eighty white pages on which our contract charge is based. Even with a 'cut' in each section the last Bulletin was far beyond our contract price. Your Editor hopes the Executive Board will recommend an increased white page allotment for the excellent reasons that the life of the organization is absolutely dependent upon Alumnae interest and the Bulletin bills are largely dependent upon the Advertising Department.

"The Board of Directors, operating through Monsignor Pace and Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, have outlined a broad, practical policy under which it has been a pleasure to serve. His Lordship, Bishop Shahan and Monsignor Pace have not only written for the Bulletin but have given gracious counsel in Bulletin problems.

"Our President has never failed to send her inspiring message on time. In extending the scope of the 'In Memoriam' page to include a remembrance of our deceased Alumnae in the Purgatorial Society of the Sulpician Seminary, Mrs. Benzinger has shown her eminently Catholic spirit. The poor souls, as well as the struggling students of the priesthood, will never forget the I. A. C. A. President whose vision brought them this gift. And when our time comes it will be a comfort to know a spiritual remembrance awaits us. For this generous and truly Catholic provision, the Editor asks the Executive Board to express special appreciation of the President in the records of the Executive Session.

"The staff of the Bulletin is without doubt a most remarkable group of workers. All but two of the members have been active since the Organization Convention in New York. Every member has distinguished herself on the Bulletin Staff in her special work. The high ideals of the Assistant Editor, Miss Brennan, and the Managing Editor, Mrs. Thomas McGoldrick, have given to the Bulletin an intangible spirituality, a mysticism of communicable thought. And our Business Managers have used every honorable means to increase the attractiveness of the magazine and the funds of the Bulletin. Your Editor is proud to be associated with a staff whose harmony and co-operation are beyond praise.

"The Contributing Editors have responded promptly in submitting manuscript. Each Department and section has given material along the line of its special interest. A decided improvement in realizing the space relation of the typed sheet to that of the printed page, has helped to simplify the work of the central office.

"Your Editor invited the members of the Staff and the Contributing Editors to append a comment to this report. Those comments that arrived in time are herewith submitted.

"The Bulletin has a wonderful mission in the Catholic world. Only a high standard of content and literary excellence can continue to attract the Alumnae of our Catholic Schools for Higher Education. A campaign for subscribers should be inaugurated. That there are scarcely 3,000 paid subscribers out of a membership of 50,000 is evidence that the magazine has not had a fair subscription incentive. Your Editor respectfully urges that at least 1,000 copies over and above the amount required for the December issue be ordered so that a free sample, enclosing subscription blank and advertising contract may be sent to the Directress of every unaffiliated Catholic High School and the Dean of every unaffiliated Catholic College. This could be combined with a membership drive."

The Board graciously voted to publish one thousand additional copies of the December, 1923, Bulletin, which were sent out as samples in connection with a membership campaign.

Since the Louisville Convention eight issues of the Bulletin have been published on time. The steady increase in the list of graduate subscribers, the Alumnae News Section development and the expansion of the Advertising Department are the sure indications of healthy growth. A remarkable change has taken place since the Louisville report. A quotation from the Page Plan of the Bulletin will explain why copy sometimes reaches the traditional waste basket.

"All manuscript must be typewritten, fully corrected, within word limit, actual number of words noted at heading, and submitted well in advance of the closing date" and

"It shall be the privilege of the Editor to reject all unsuitable, uncorrected or delayed 'copy.'"

Your Editor has read every word of every manuscript accepted or rejected. She has edited all acceptable copy, corrected galleys, compared corrected galleys with those of the Managing Editor, has made the dummy from the galleys from the page-proof, then re-read every word in the page-proof before final printing. In addition she has solicited leading articles, has written twenty of the forty-one editorials, and selected fillers for unused space. She has read the essays of the first and second contests, the third contest being read at the Catholic University.

All financial matters of the Bulletin are under the direction of Miss Catherine Hogan, who, in subdividing the work of the Business Manager, has made an important change in Bulletin administration. Under this provision the Business Manager assumes charge of all money connected with the Bulletin and delegates the work of circulation and advertising to her assistants, Miss Susan Smith, Miss Edna Sheehy and Mrs. John M. Alvarez. The remarkable freeing of the Bulletin from debt through the work of the Advertising Manager, Mrs. John M. Alvarez, is cited as the distinguished service which has made possible the continuation of the Bulletin.

The Assistant Editor, Miss Mary E. Brennan, has had the honor of being selected as the Editor of the Bulletin of the Catholic Writers' Guild, and the Managing Editor, Mrs. Rita Connell McGoldrick, has contributed two leading articles in "America," since the last Convention.

There is one more service which your Editor has the pleasure of reporting. At the request of the President, the Editor arranged with the Paulist Press for the preparation of presentation copies of the Bulletin for our Holy Father. The books were made into three chaste volumes of white leather, embossed in gold. They were really very beautifully and correctly bound for the private library of the Sovereign Pontiff. They were presented by the President, Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, on the occasion of her visit to Rome.

This report would not be complete if I did not express my sincere appreciation to His Lordship, Bishop Shahan, the Right Rev. Msgr. Edward A. Pace, the President, Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, and the other members of the Board of Directors, the Staff and the Contributing Editors, and the State Chairmen. To all who have in any way helped the Federation's official publication, the Editor is sincerely grateful.

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT EDITOR OF THE QUARTERLY BULLETIN

Miss Mary Elizabeth Brennan

The work of the Department "With the Graduate" for the period covering March, 1923—September, 1924, was as follows:

Editorials were written for each issue of the "Quarterly Bulletin" by the Editor of the Department, with the exception of the article appearing in the September, 1924, number, which was contributed. The Editor begs here to acknowledge the many courteous comments received regarding these simple talks to the Graduates.

The policy of this Department to publish a list of School Journals received, and to give a review where particularly merited, has been continued to date.

Three Essay Contests have been conducted during the period which this report covers. The contestants were the members of the graduating classes of 1923 and 1924 from all Federated schools.

Prizes were given, locally, and the winners in each State and Province had their papers sent to this Department, where an award of \$20.00 was made to the successful competitor. These awards of \$20.00 were given both in 1923 and 1924.

The first to Miss Eugenia Wodville. The contestants for both years were allowed to compete for the Grand Prize of \$100.00 which will be awarded at this Convention. The judges for this final Contest were appointed by our Right Rev. Director, who also selected the title for the Essay.

Seventy-four letters regarding this Contest were answered in this Department.

Two "Graduate Subscription Drives" were conducted by the Editor of this Department, for which 15,000 slips, together with circular letters, Bulletin Board notices and follow-up postals were personally addressed and mailed to 360 schools.

These drives have for their object the securing of the interest of the graduates in the work of the I. F. C. A. before leaving school, by having them subscribe to the "Quarterly Bulletin."

In 1923 the returns amounted to \$706.00 and the 1924 drive total to date is \$856.00. These subscriptions form a substantial part of the income of the Bulletin.

This Department replied to 173 communications during 1923-1924.

REPORT OF MANAGING EDITOR OF BULLETIN

Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, A.B.

The report of the Managing Editor of the Bulletin can hardly avoid paralleling the reports of the Editor and Business Manager, for the lines of work for each of these officers must necessarily run close together.

The Editor, who has the lion's share of the labor delegates to her Managing Editor some few definite responsibilities. These have included the writing of three or four of the editorials for each issue; planning with the Editor suitable material for future editorials; consultation on material received for publication in the Bulletin; the selection of suitable fillers for the unfilled ends of pages. It has also been the duty and privilege of the Managing Editor to correct all proof, strip proof and page proof, and to make copy as nearly perfect for the printer as possible. The Editor then correcting a separate set of galleys compares her corrections with the Managing Editor's.

To your Editor, Mrs. Sheeran, the wreath of laurel for magnificent service rendered, must go. She has borne the heavy part of the burden. It has been her zeal, her vision, her love of Federation that has swung the Bulletin from a wobbly pamphlet into a sturdy book. Only her enthusiasm and her sure conviction that the Bulletin has a future destiny of importance have kept her from breaking under the actual physical effort that this work has been. Her individual preparation in hours for each issue of the Bulletin, would in most publishing houses have been the work of three men.

The book as it stands at present speaks for itself and demonstrates better than any report we could make for it the healthy growth of this organization and its remarkable local activities through Chapters, Circles and Associations. Slowly, the Bulletin has demonstrated its own greatest field—namely, the recording of alumnae news. In the earlier days of its publication, the back of the book, the alumnae news section, was a very small percentage of the actual number of pages. Now the back of the book is marching forward. With each issue there is a greater encroachment on the allotted space for editorials and Departments.

This has led the Managing Editor to feel that the time had come to increase our contract to allow ourselves ten to twelve more pages of printed matter; improve the general appearance of the book by having it stitched flatly; and the pages printed in columns which are so much more professional and attractive to the eye. These changes the Bulletin really needs.

In conclusion your Managing Editor feels that the Federation will grow in direct ratio to the growth of the Bulletin; that the Bulletin's importance in bringing to schools and individuals the Federation's message, cannot be too strongly emphasized; that it is a good financial proposition for this organization to send its journal out looking the part it plays—the concrete representative of the trained Catholic women of the whole world.

Until the individual members take up their responsibility, and by intelligent team work popularize the Bulletin and thereby win new subscribers for it, the recommendations of the Managing Editor for a bigger and better book have to remain tabled.

REPORT OF THE ART EDITOR OF THE QUARTERLY BULLETIN

Miss Helen Reed O'Neil

Illustrations for articles in the Bulletin for the past year have been designed, executed, approved when submitted by other contributors, by the Art Editor of the Bulletin.

The Art Editor suggests that the Bulletin might be made more attractive for subscribers and advertisers by making a few changes in its appearance.

Each issue might have an illustrated cover design picturing some outstanding feature of the Federation, Catholic women's education, or a significant action of the Church. The design could be either symbolic or an actual representation, the distinctive identification of the International Federation never to be subordinated, a frontispice page illustration with, when possible, a news idea as its theme.

More photographic reproductions of leading members of the Federation, the hierarchy of the Church, and material evidences of the growth of the religion in illustrations of new schools, convents, churches, and buildings for the care of the dependent and helpless.

Full page photographs of newly appointed cardinals and archbishops in any part of the world where the personal history of the appointee has more than the usual points of interest.

Illuminated initial letters for the principal articles in each issue.

Vignettes for the headings and finals of articles with the introduction of features such as suggested, or others of similar nature, to which subscribers and advertisers would respond with increased interest in the Bulletin and which would thus be lifted from a publication of routine reports and essays.

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS MANAGER OF THE QUARTERLY BULLETIN

Miss Catherine Hogan

Current Bulletin Fund

Receipts

Received from Former Business Manager.....	\$ 412.39
Circulation Manager	
Subscriptions and Extra Copies.....	\$1,761.25
Interest	4.85
Miscellaneous Income	1.50
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	1,767.60
Treasurer:	
Subscriptions through Dues	1,102.00
Graduation Drive Subscriptions	1,102.00
Advertisements	2,827.00
Interest37
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Total	\$7,671.36

Disbursements

Repaid to Endowment Fund	\$ 423.64
Printing and Mailing 21,500 copies Bulletin.....	4,666.12
Expenses:	
Circulation Manager	\$323.40
Advertising Manager	43.39
Business Manager	20.00
Executive Secretary	11.95
Graduate Drive	148.46
Sample Copy Drive—850 copies mailed	22.87
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Total	5,659.83
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Balance on hand—Current Bulletin Fund.....	\$2,011.53

Endowment Fund

Receipts

Received from Current Bulletin Fund to replace amount advanced to pay for issue of December, 1922.....	\$ 423.64
Received from the Treasurer	825.30
Subscription from the Missouri Chapter	100.00
Interest	53.08
Total Receipts	<u>\$1,402.02</u>

Disbursements

Paid for Printing of 1922 Year Book.....	1,142.50
Balance of Bulletin Endowment Fund.....	<u>\$ 259.52</u>

REPORT OF THE ADVERTISING MANAGER OF THE QUARTERLY BULLETIN

Mrs. John M. Alvarez

The appointment of Advertising Manager of the I. F. C. A. Quarterly Bulletin became effective on January 15, 1923, when the material belonging to the work of this office was delivered. The closing date of the March issue was January 25th, consequently a great deal of work had to be accomplished in ten days.

The books showed a splendid, clear, workable system, which had been installed by Miss Brennan, your officer's able predecessor. There were twenty-six advertisements on the books for the March issue. With considerable effort, the issue came out with fifty advertisements. In February, our President, Mrs. Benzinger, authorized a letter to be sent to the Governors. Twenty Governors responded by appointing State Chairmen for advertising. Eighteen of these Chairmen have obtained at least one advertisement for their State or Province. The States which had no chairmen appointed have not been lacking in their co-operation.

The following table shows the number of advertisements we have had in each issue:

March, 1923	50
June, 1923	106
September, 1923	114
December, 1923	105
March, 1924	110
June, 1924	116
September, 1924	128
December, 1924	117
Total	<u>846</u>

It is not necessary for me to tell you of the amount of correspondence involved to accomplish this result. It has been a delightful experience, however, and it is a real joy now to look over many charming letters received in the course of this work. Miss Israel, former Corresponding Secretary of the I. F. C. A., writes from her camp in the Adirondacks that her season has been most happy and successful. She says, "Perhaps it may add to your happiness to know that one of my most charming new campers came entirely through my advertisement in the June issue. I appreciate this result very much, particularly as I advertise very little, and this is really the first girl who has come to camp through an advertisement. This confirms my original intention of continuing my advertisement through the year."

Your Advertising Officer has deposited with Miss Hogan, Business Manager

of the Bulletin, up to September 29, 1924, \$2,827, with an additional \$203 collected since the above date. In addition, the amount still due to this Department for advertisements is \$410, making a grand total of \$3,440. The expenses of this Department have been \$53.39, leaving a balance of \$3,386.61 to the credit of the Advertising Department of the Bulletin.

It gives me great pleasure to announce the winners of the Contest:

1. First prize for the greatest number of new advertisements, MARYLAND. Second prize for the greatest number of new advertisements, TEXAS.

2. First prize for renewals, PENNSYLVANIA. Second prize for renewals, NEW YORK.

3. First prize for reserving the greatest amount of advertising space, MARYLAND. Second prize for reserving the greatest amount of advertising space, NEW YORK.

ILLINOIS and KENTUCKY deserve honorable mention and are to be congratulated for their splendid efforts.

Your Advertising Officer wishes to take advantage of this opportunity to extend her sincere gratitude to the patient Editor and the Staff and to all who in any way have given their aid in making the work successful.

REPORT OF THE CIRCULATION MANAGER OF THE QUARTERLY BULLETIN

Miss Edna James Sheehy

Since my appointment as Circulation Manager, the latter part of February, 1923, there has been a steady increase in the number of subscribers of the Bulletin, as evidenced by the Reports of the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer.

From that time and inclusive of October 15, 1924, new subscriptions and renewals passing through my hands have been represented by \$1,972.00 and the result of the Graduate Drive has been to the number of 1,562. In an endeavor to increase subscriptions all Governors were asked to appoint subscription Chairmen in their respective Chapters. The result was fairly encouraging and mention is due to the chapters of the following States: Ohio, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, District of Columbia, Maryland, Tennessee, Iowa, Mississippi, West Virginia, Virginia, Nebraska, Texas and Michigan.

Renewal slips were sent to each subscriber upon the expiration of her subscription. Where the subscriber did not renew within the month a second notice was sent. In the event this did not bring in the subscription a third appeal was made.

Every name that appeared in connection with the Federation and which did not appear as a subscriber was circularized, as well as all outgoing officers who were not subscribers.

The following work has been done:

Subscription blanks sent out	4,820
Expiration blanks sent out	6,997
S. O. S. subscription renewal blanks sent out	1,200
Envelopes addressed	5,500
Pieces of first class mail	1,500
Acknowledgment postals	900
Bulletins sent out	1,823
Cards typed for Press and Office	3,200
Hours spent on work	1,530

In March, 1923, banners were offered to the Chapters obtaining the greatest number of new subscriptions; greatest number of renewals, and the greatest number of total subscriptions, and are:

Greatest number of new subscriptions, Ohio, 112. Honorable mention, Pennsylvania, 92; Maryland, 91.

Greatest number of renewal subscriptions, Maryland, 139. Honorable mention, Pennsylvania, 117; New York, 112.

Greatest number of total subscriptions, Pennsylvania, 402. Honorable mention, Maryland, 377; Ohio, 328; Illinois, 314.

Special thanks are due our President, Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, for her promptness and courtesy in getting supplies to this Office, and also to Miss

Hogan and Miss Brennan of the Bulletin Staff; Miss M. Louise Darr, past Governor of the District of Columbia Chapter, and Miss Rae von Culin of Holy Cross Alumnae; Mrs. Edward Magner of St. Patrick's Alumnae; Miss Florence A. Colford and Miss Frances R. Harkness of the Washington Visitation Alumnae.

THE PRESIDENT: La Providence, toujours soigneuse de notre bien, nous a envoyé, à notre grande joie, un enfant brillant de la belle France fille aînée de la Sainte Eglise. Distingué par ses vertus sacerdotales, son patriotisme et ses talents, la Fédération lui doit la plus vive reconnaissance pour ses efforts zélés en faveur de la partie française du Bulletin de l'Association. J'ai l'honneur de présenter M. le Docteur, Jules A. Baisnée, de la Societe de Saint-Sulpice.

ADDRESS

Reverend Jules A. Baisnée

I am quite surprised indeed, and I deem it a great honor to find myself in the midst of the delegates of the International Catholic Alumnae. With the exception of Monsignor Belford, who has had such an important share in the creation and development of the institution, and Monsignor Pace and other prelates who supervised the development of this institution, I do not know any priest who had any share in this organization. I must say it was an act of faith to introduce it in the French section, on the part of Mrs. Sheeran, and an act of faith on my part as well. I had at the beginning some misgivings about the success of this enterprise. I was asking myself why this privilege should be given to the French language, to have a section in the American Bulletin of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, but if the absence of criticism is an indication that all is well, as one of the previous reports said, I must be satisfied that this section has been welcomed.

After having had this interesting address of Monsignor Belford on St. Francis de Sales, may I recall that St. Francis de Sales is, or was, one of the first French classics, one of the creators of the classical French? Perhaps I need not apologize, and neither does the department of the Bulletin need to apologize for having introduced the French section into the Bulletin.

There were a number of contributions for the last two years, all of which were original. Some of them were written by the priests engaged in educational work, and perhaps I may recall one, dealing with one feature of the struggle for faith in France that has been going on for very many years, and which is still going on, and threatens, perhaps, to get worse.

You know that some thirty years ago the public schools were secularized. Up to that time members and teachers were teaching not only in parochial schools, but also in state schools; then there came the secularization and the brothers and sisters were replaced by men and women educated in normal schools. Instead of Catholic philosophy and Catholic principles they were educated in the naturalistic philosophy of to-day, the result being a loss of the Catholic faith amongst many of the French children. On account of the character of the normal schools the priests and Catholic parents discouraged their children from going to the public normal schools, but of late a new policy has been initiated, and instead of being discouraged young men and young women are encouraged to seek admission in the public normal schools. We have now a small number indeed, but a real proportion of public teachers that are true to the old French faith, and in order to maintain among them that loyalty to the Catholic faith, various organizations of Catholic daughters of public school teachers were formed and every year they meet for a special report. They attend a meeting where the priest or professor comes and gives them a lecture on politics, and thus their faith is enlightened and they have the feeling that they are not isolated, but form an important group of the incorporation of public school teachers.

These activities were reported in the Bulletin as well as those of a group of women interested in social work and social dress. Some of the articles gave an idea of French life.

I hope that more contributions will be given in due time, and I wish, too, that the members of the Federation of Catholic Alumnae that happen to be interested in that French section will please write to the editor and suggest whatever improvement they desire to be made in that French section of the Bulletin. It will be with great pleasure and gratitude that I will endeavor to meet their wishes. I thank you all for your attention, and I express my gratitude to the President and the Editor of the Bulletin for having given this privilege to the

French language, of all the European languages, to be represented in the Bulletin of the International Federation!

French, it is true, is the language of Voltaire and Anatole France, but also it is the language of Francis de Sales.

REPORT OF THE CANADIAN SECTION OF THE QUARTERLY BULLETIN

Miss Mary Mallon

The Canadian section has been supplied for the past seven issues, beginning March, 1923, to September, 1924, with articles dealing with Canadian Literature, Education, and Women's Organizations as follows:

March, 1923—"Religion in the Poetry of Marjorie L. C. Piethall," by Mary Frances Mallon, B.A. (Editor), Loretto Alumnae Association, Toronto.

June, 1923—"The Canadian Students' Mission Crusade," by Maire Hannon, B.A., Loretto Alumnae Association, Toronto.

September, 1923—"Higher Education for Women in Ontario," by Mary Frances Mallon, B.A. (Editor), Loretto Alumnae Association, Toronto.

December, 1923—"Pauline Johnson," by Edna Dawson, B.A., Loretto Alumnae Association, Toronto.

March, 1924—"Some Opportunities for Canadian Women in Business," by Mrs. Lyons, Alumnae Congregation de Notre Dame, Ottawa.

This was substituted for a report of the First Biennial Conference of the Ontario Chapter I. F. C. A. by Mrs. Thomas McCarron of St. Joseph's College Alumnae, Toronto, as a report had been sent in already by the Governor.

June, 1924—"The National Council of Women," by Miss L. Hart, St. Joseph's College Alumnae, Toronto.

September, 1924—"A Catholic Educational Heritage," by Miss Kathleen Molony, teacher in St. Mary's Separate School, Toronto.

News items were sent from time to time to the Alumnae News Section.

In January, 1923, typewritten copies of the policy of the Bulletin, accompanied by letters asking for constructive criticisms, and the names of possible contributors were sent to Alumnae Presidents. No criticisms have been received.

In December, 1923, names of possible subscribers were sent to the Editor.

THE BULLETIN ESSAY CONTEST

The Convention prize of \$100 offered by the Bulletin for the best essay on the subject selected by Monsignor Edward A. Pace, "My Idea of a Genuine American Citizen," on judgment of the Catholic University was awarded to:

Miss Bernadette Dolan, St. Joseph's College, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Honorable mention was accorded:

Miss Mary Waterman, St. Francis Xavier Academy, Providence, R. I.

Preliminary Contests

1923

"Vocations and Avocations," winner of Bulletin prize of \$20, Miss Eugenia Woodville, St. Catherine of Sienna Academy, St. Catherine, Ky.

Honorable mention—Miss Bernadette Dolan, St. Joseph's Academy, Brentwood, N. Y., Miss Marcella Bohan, St. Michael's Academy, Chatham, N. B.

1924

"The Good and the Bad in Modern Dress," winner of Bulletin prize of \$20—Miss Catherine Zoe La Coppidan, St. Joseph's Academy, Portsmouth, Va.

Honorable mention—Miss Mary Waterman, St. Xavier's Academy, Providence, R. I.

BANQUET
of the
INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CATHOLIC ALUMNAE
BELLEVUE-STRATFORD HOTEL
Philadelphia

WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 22, 1924

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, Presiding

The Grace.—His Lordship, Rt. Rev. Michael J. Hoban, Bishop of Scranton, Pa.

The President—Your Lordship, Right Reverend Director, Right Reverend Monsignori, Madam Toastmaster, Madam Co-Founder, Madam Governor, Reverend Fathers, Officers and Members of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, Ladies and Gentlemen: As I have already reported to you, it was my pleasure during the course of the summer, to be received in audience by the Holy Father, and to learn through his own words, of his sincere and paternal interest in our work. To-day again he sent us another message, and I shall ask our Right Reverend Director, Monsignor Pace, to read it for us, and also to be our spokesman, in response to the first and most important Toast on our program, "His Holiness, Pope Pius XI."

"THE HOLY FATHER"

Right Reverend Monsignor Edward A. Pace

Copy of cable message received from His Holiness, Pius XI., through Cardinal Gasparri, Secretary of State:

Philadelphia, October, 18, 1924.

Cardinal Gasparri,
Vatican,
Rome.

International Federation of Catholic Alumnae in Convention here, send affectionate homage to Holy Father and beg His Blessing.

CARDINAL DOUGHERTY.

Copy of Cable Message received from His Holiness, Pius XI., through Cardinal Gasparri:

Rome, October 20, 1924.

Cardinal Dougherty,
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania.

Holy Father thanks for homage and devotion of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, and highly satisfied with its work, sends Apostolic Benediction.

CARDINAL GASPARRI.

These words of the Holy Father typically crown the work of our convention. They give the highest confirmation to the many approvals which the Federation has received from the hierarchy. They assure us in unmistakable terms that our aims are in accord with the spirit of the Church, and our efforts in the right direction. The expression of the Pontiff's good will is the more significant because he speaks with accurate knowledge of our organization, its purposes and its methods. He has in mind the account that was recently given him by the President of our Federation. What he said to her then he is now pleased to say to all our members, and he speaks to each and to all, as though we were actually kneeling at his knee to receive his fatherly blessing.

He declares his satisfaction the more willingly because the objects for which we are striving are dear to his heart. He realizes fully the importance of education, good literature and social service, for the welfare of the Church in the countries that are listed in our Federation, and all the countries of the world, and he knows that our activities in these several lines must be in accord with the Catholic Church if they are to produce an efficient result.

From his exalted position as head of the Catholic Church. Pope Pius discerns the needs of mankind. He sees more clearly than anyone else how essential it is for peace and progress that the spirit of Christ should dwell in the schools.

permeate literature, and guide all endeavor for the betterment of society, and he therefore commends with his blessing the work of our organization.

Now, in asking and receiving the Holy Father's approval we lay upon ourselves a special obligation. It is not merely for what we have accomplished that we ask his blessing, but also for our future undertakings. We have pledged ourselves to strive more earnestly than ever for the attainment of our purposes. We take upon ourselves the responsibility of carrying on to success the enterprise to which he has given his sanction and encouragement. Surely we could not ask more. We could not expect from any source on earth a stronger word than that which Pius XI. has spoken. Let us make sure that the Holy Father will always be glad of what he has said to us, and that year by year he will have greater satisfaction in our work.

From this convention we should go with the same high hopes, the same brimming hearts, the same determination that would be ours if at this moment we issued from the portals of the Vatican and knelt beneath the mighty dome of St. Peter's and then turned our faces to our homes in the western world, remembering always that the figure of Christ bids us Godspeed with courage and faith.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

Mrs. Charles J. Hoban, Toastmaster

Villa Maria Alumnae, Immaculata, Pennsylvania

Your Lordship, Right Reverend Monsignori, Reverend Fathers, Members of the International Federation, and Our Guests: Looking over this distinguished assemblage recalls to memory the many like scenes that have been enacted in this Banquet Room. In a few days you will go down to Independence Hall and while standing there you will know that you are on sacred and historic ground. But perhaps many of you do not know that at present you are also on historic ground.

Down through the years, from the four corners of the earth, have come saintly churchmen, eminent scholars, great rulers, renowned statesmen and scientists to address audiences from this very rostrum, but never in all this time has a more distinguished audience of women been assembled here.

You have all heard of the proverbial slowness of Philadelphia. Our friends from that magnificent metropolis east of us (New York) frequently remind us of the contrast between the two cities in this respect. A Philadelphian went over to visit a friend in New York. They dined together at a hotel and the Philadelphian ordered snails for breakfast, snails for lunch, and snails again for dinner.

His friend remarked, "Why, you seem to be very fond of snails."

"Oh, no," said the Philadelphian, "but I always order them when I am away from home."

"Why, have you no snails in Philadelphia?"

"Certainly, but we can't catch them."

A friend from one of the far western cities was telling a Philadelphian how very slow we are, and the Philadelphian remarked, "Well, you must give us credit for one thing, and that is that our streets are so well laid out."

The westerner replied, "Well, when we are dead as long as you are, we will be well laid out too."

But there is one particular in which we challenge any city to say we are slow, and that is in the depth and the warmth of the welcome we extend to our guests.

I know not the words with which to clothe this welcome, so I am going to have this beautiful scene bespeak it. You were present last Sunday afternoon at the Metropolitan Opera House to see the spiritual love of the Federation portrayed. She who was present at the Feast of Canaan looks down no less lovingly on this picture of our social life, grouped, as is this union of hearts and hands, around the grave figure of our queen, and we offer our cup of cheer and welcome, knowing that with this greeting goes Mary's benediction.

Our gracious President was truly inspired when she selected the theme "Catholic Life," for the banquet in Philadelphia, because Philadelphia is a city of homes and it is in the home that Catholic life finds its highest expression, be that home a mansion or a hut, in a crowded city or by the wayside, in distant sailing ships, or in a covered wagon. If the true Catholic spirit be there, it is the nursery of the nation where minds and souls are trained in the principles of truth and justice upon which our nation is founded. It is the first step in the education of a child, the education of the heart.

"THE FAMILY"

Mrs. James J. Sheeran, Co-Founder

St. Joseph's College Alumnae, Emmitsburg, Maryland

Right Reverend Bishop, Right Reverend Monsignor, My Dear Daughters:

That great doctor of the Church, St. Augustine, has written: "The advantage of marriage among all nations and men lies in its being a cause of generation and chastity, and as concerns the people of God, also in the holiness of a sacrament." This is the distinction between natural and Christian marriage, and the reason why the Catholic family should be an influence for good in the welfare of mankind.

To generalize this influence is difficult, however, since the mind at once conceives three distinct kinds of Catholics—those who do not practise their religion, those whom for want of a better name we call "Mass Catholics," and those whose words and works show forth the Faith that is in them.

That the two former groups are often just, moral, and charitable is convincing evidence that the sacraments, at some time, have left their own ineffable grace. That many of our non-Catholic brethren often hold erroneous notions concerning Holy Mother Church is due largely to their contact with so-called Catholics, starved in spiritual life, unconscious of the ethics of religion, and ignorant of the doctrines and history of the Church. But if we consider the last type of Catholics, those who live the spirit as well as the letter of the law, then it is incontrovertibly true that they exercise a great power for good in lifting the minds of men to the higher aims and purposes of life. Edmund Burke has said: "We know, and what is better, we feel inwardly, that religion is the basis of civil society, and the source of all good and comfort."

It is presumed that the members of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae belong to this group of active and intelligent Catholics, for they have come from homes where the parents believed in Catholic higher education. They have been instructed by the Sisters, whose lives are devout imitations of Christ, and they have spent their girlhood under the same roof that shelters their sacramental God. Deep in the heart of every Catholic Graduate is the longing for the Kingdom of God on earth. Even in temptation, even in the wilderness, the incessant voice calls, "Make straight the way of the Lord." To these women, marriage is truly a sacrament. The homes they make are patterned on the House of Loretto. Their aim is the peace of Nazareth, the perfection of the Holy Family.

Let us pause a moment and visualize the happy homes of our childhood, and the dear parents who gave us every opportunity. But for them we would not have had the privilege of a Catholic education. They transmitted to us a sacred trust that we carry the light of their Faith on to the next generation. We have borne it aloft thus far and held fast to their teachings and their traditions. This precious Light has made our homes sanctuaries and saved them from the materialism of the world. To you, the rising generation, we bring our gift, and in turn bid you guard the light. "Be yours to hold it high," and bear it on to generations yet unborn.

"THE SCHOOL"

Mrs. John J. Hickey

Alumnae of Notre Dame de Namur, Roxbury, Boston, Massachusetts

Madam Toastmaster:

The school, the influences prevailing in childhood and youth, form the well springs of character. What we are at this moment is largely resultant of the forces which guided and shaped our tender years.

This truth established within our own experience stands confirmed beyond contradiction in the age long history of human life. We give to-night all honor and all praise to our devoted Catholic parents. We make a sincere acknowledgment of appreciation and gratitude for the ineffable blessing of birth in a Christian family, training in a Christian home, and education in a Christian school.

In these days of restless action and rapid change, the home is unable to supply all the needs of the growing child. Modern education is too varied and too complex to be assumed by parents unassisted and alone. All parents now are forced to enlist the assistance of others in the sublime task of developing in the child the power to meet with character and ability the manifold obligations of life. The child must go forth from the home to the school with its teachers and tutors where he is taught, trained and guided in his inestimable advance toward the opportunities and the duties of his future years. Let it be clearly un-

derstood that the school and the teacher serve in the place of the parents, and with the authority which the parent delegates to them.

The necessity for sending a child to school does not involve in any way the surrender of primary and fundamental parental rights. We declare our steadfast determination to preserve for ourselves and for the parents of the country the exercise of the natural God-given right to the training of the children. There must be no further attempt at infringement on the rights of parents to select the school and choose the system wherein the children are to be educated. The ideal school from the point of view of the parent is the school which recognizes, respects and embodies in its principles of education the hope, the purposes, and the ideals of the home. There should be no conflict, real or apparent, between the influence of the home and the influence of the school.

These two powerful forces in education must act together with uniformity in motive and unity in ideals.

In the Catholic home religion is the motive power of life. In the Catholic home all the obligations and problems of life are understood in the light of faith, which reveals the supernatural destination of man. To love God, to serve Him, to be worthy of eternal union with Him. These are the ideals of the Catholic home. These are the ideals also of the Catholic school.

A child born and nurtured in a Catholic home should attend a school where the holy lessons which it learned at its mother's knee are emphasized and developed.

In the mind of the child, the school is a new world. That school is the trial of new responsibility and new relationship with others. The child is impressed tremendously with the novelty of these duties and contacts. It is of extreme importance to Catholic parents that the school interprets this new life in terms of the first lessons taught in the Catholic home.

The school for the Catholic child is the Catholic school. In this school alone do Catholic parents receive the complete co-operation essential to the satisfactory training of the Catholic child.

The Catholic Church, protector of the spiritual interests of young and old, imposes upon parents the solemn obligation of safeguarding the religious welfare of children by sending them to Catholic schools. It is impossible to measure adequately the indebtedness of Catholic parents to the hierarchy, the priests and the religious of this country for the zeal and self-sacrifice manifested in this country in carrying out the work of education of Catholic children. With two million Catholic children in the schools of the United States we have evidence, all inspiring, of that which goes to make the school worthy of its highest and noblest purposes.

We are met to give public expression of our personal loyalty to the Catholic school. We re-affirm our faith and confidence in Catholic education. We pledge our hearty support to every movement for the protection, for the development and advancement of the Church's great gift to the Catholic parents of our beloved country—the Catholic school for the Catholic child.

ADDRESS—"HOW THE RELIGIOUS SERVES"

Mrs. A. H. S. Bird

Manhattanville Sacred Heart Alumnae, New York

Madam Toastmaster, Ladies and Gentlemen: To do the scantest justice to this toast of mine, I would have to be a poet, with a poet's gift of comprehensive and terse poetic expression.

What demanded spiritual nicety and efficiency are needed to be able to grasp and present the two-fold life of the Religious, and at the same time be practical and mystical; each of these tremendous influences must be measured by widely different yardsticks, for analogy's sake.

It is not so difficult to measure their sacrifice in the fields of education, when we see innumerable efficient citizens graduated every year from their schools taking their places in our national society, but it is not so easy to measure the development of soul and character, produced by their influence, by their teachings, by their example, their prayer.

How measure these effects in our Catholic life? And never, never was there a time when we stood so in need of this intangible, spiritual, definite measurement, where an hour of the daylight is held so cheaply, the human soul so dragged and trampled in the mire of materialism.

No wonder we turn ever more eagerly to the Religious for our education.

But how measure service such as this? It is not so difficult to measure their service in the fields of social welfare, philanthropy, charity, in hospitals, city asylums, far-off missions, among orphans, the destitute, the physically, mentally,

morally afflicted. No corner is so remote that their flaming love of charity does not penetrate and permeate.

But again it is not so easy to measure the deeper influence produced by these contacts, so often stimulating to higher, better things. We must abandon all possibilities of measurement when we turn, for a brief moment, to the mystical realms of contemplative souls, those souls who serve by prayer, those souls given to divine abandonment, abnegation, sacrifice, intercessory prayer, where spiritual forces, mysterious powers, tremendous, intense in their potential power for overwhelming spiritual good, go forth.

To measure such height and depth God's yardstick alone can aid. I feign would crystallize thoughts into transcendent words to help you realize, were it ever so little, how our Religious serve in our Catholic national and individual religious lives, but how could I, I who am not even a poet?

"PLEASURES OF LIFE"

Mrs. James P. Byrne

Mt. St. Vincent's Alumnae, Halifax, Nova Scotia

Madam Toastmaster, Reverend Clergy, Friends and Alumnae:

I stand before you to-night, being accorded the honor of representing my dear Canadian Alma Mater, Mount St. Vincent by the Sea. I deem it one of the highest honors to speak before an audience so distinguished as that of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae. May we ever find our greatest pleasures in these reunions which bind us together in an association whose power will redound to the honor and glory of Catholic education.

In Tennyson's "Idylls of the King," Queen Guinevere, who had made a wrong choice of the pleasures of life, realizing with soul awakened, the nobility of King Arthur, gives voice to a sentiment which, I think, might be the keyword to apply to the subject in which I am to speak to-night: "We needs must love the highest when we know it."

We all must have pleasure. God has so constituted human nature that recreation is necessary to the upkeep of life; and I am going to glance for a few moments at the pleasures which occupy the world in which we live to-day. Can we say that the world to-day in its hours of relaxation, seeks and loves what is highest?

The pleasures of life are the gifts of God—His creatures to be used with discretion as befits rational beings, and not merely to serve the lower instincts of our complex nature. Riches, pleasures, and health are not necessary for the elevation of the immortal soul; but, used as God's creatures, they can be of tremendous assistance in the securing of a happy eternity. Pleasure, therefore, in its essential signification is not synonymous with wrong doing or wrong thinking. To be more specific, let us look at some outstanding amusements of the present day. I shall begin with reading, for all the world reads—something—and finds its pleasures thus. It is for us to consider whether this pleasure be a deterrent or a means of elevation to the Alumnae in the world. It is needless to answer that all depends on our choice of reading. A good book is a strong tower, nay, a very church with "Angels lurking among its leaves." An evil book on the other hand is more radically injurious than any other form of corruption. Let us then work earnestly as Alumnae that our Department of Literature may be a strong support and guidance in the choice of good reading. Let us keep ourselves well in hand and not allow our feminine curiosity to lure us into the toils of unwholesome reading in the form of books, papers and illustrations, the whole gist and tendency and purpose of which, is to insinuate and suggest and tacitly recommend sins against purity.

A discussion of the theatre follows, naturally upon that of reading. Here the same principle of choice is requisite. Someone has said that to find a good play is parallel to the proverbial search for the needle in the haystack. Another adds that one might find the needle; but he shudders at the task of finding the play. We all know the tawdry emotionalism and the unsavory propaganda which have been piped through dramatic channels in our modern theatre. Let us cultivate as one of our greatest pleasures of life the enjoyment of wholesome, refined and cultured drama.

I had included dancing as a pleasure of life, but it is unnecessary to speak of this—we have no dancing in our days. It was our ancestors, not we, who had the craze for dancing. Oh blessed craze! which found vent for enthusiasm in the dainty gavotte, the graceful waltz, the stately minuet! We, instead, have substituted a series of twisting, straining wiggling movements, which bewilder the eye and entangle the feet and leave the body enervated by their dullness rather than invigorated as in the sprightly dances of the long ago. In which style of dancing do we find our pleasures of life?

And lastly, what pleasures of life can equal the feminine love for dress? It shows itself in the tiny girl asking for the pet hair ribbon, the treasured trinket and the sleeveless Alice blue gown. It grows as we grow, this love of raiment. How could the worries that fatigue the modern brain be born with hair unbobbed? How could the weary ways be trodden in the trammeling skirts of our grandmothers? But I am not going to condemn a love of dress and particularly modern dress. Modern dress is sensible, it is beautiful, but as in all pleasures of life it is a subject of choice. The Catholic Alumnae must be the norm of modesty as well as of beauty. The principles inculcated in our convent homes will furnish instinctively the guidance which we need in avoiding shocking extremes, vulgar display and immodest apparel. These are a few of the material pleasures of life. I have not touched on the spiritual joys which come of unselfishness in home duties; of earnest work for the social betterment of the poor, and of one another. The comprehensiveness of the subject of the pure pleasures of life which the Creator has lavished on our earth is too vast for the limited time allowance for my response. I can only add that our life here must decide our eternal life—for "the living know that they shall die." Every act here must be declared hereafter. To all things that are done God will bring judgment. Doing all things well, life shall not have been lived in vain for "the blessing of God maketh haste to reward the good."

"BUSINESS LIFE"

Mrs. Mary B. Finan

Mt. St. Joseph's College Alumnae, Dubuque, Iowa

Madam Toastmaster:

When, at the opening of his pontificate, the stately Pontiff Pius X. announced his purpose to restore all things in grace, he sounded the call to arms for every member of Christ's mystical body, the Church. At the same time he pointed out a two-fold means for the successful carrying on of a life long campaign for the realization of his lofty ambitions.

This, he said, could be best accomplished, first, by making sure that our own lives as individuals are dominated by the principles of the gospel, and then by doing everything in our power to impregnate society at large with these principles.

If, indeed, religion is to be an attribute of the holy man, so as to be the directive force of his activities, it follows that the principles of religion ought to pervade every side of his life. The more complete possession they take of it, the more close will be the approach to the ideal of the Christian life.

Since business life in one form or another is increasingly becoming the every day life of the majority of our people, it behooves us to see that the fundamental sources of Christian morality are made more and more the basis of this activity. Such a consideration is of paramount importance, not only to the individual, but to society at large.

Life, we know is, in the last analysis, the training ground of character. The determining factor for every individual, whatever his sphere in life, is not so much the work he does, but the effect of all he does on his own moral character. The work may be all important in itself, and involve mighty issues. For the man who does the work, the momentous thing is how he answers the question when it presents itself, "Will you surrender principle for the sake of success?"

In whatever position in life we may find ourselves, whether we are so placed that we can aspire to put the salt into "big business" or must confine our efforts to showing, by our example, what the Catholic woman in the business or professional field should be, we can each in our own measure and degree exemplify anew the interdependence of all human life.

As regards society at large, even from the last standpoint of utility, and business policy, it cannot be denied that honesty brings big returns. The feeling of security engendered by habitual trustworthiness tends to increase business facilities and promote the growth of transactions, but to the Catholic there is a higher appeal.

By living up to the principles of Catholic morality in all our business undertakings, and acting on the principle of honor in our relations with the business community, we are exercising the true apostolate. For a priest cannot go and preach in the market place or on the stock exchange. But the Catholic layman whose position in life calls him there can, by his integrity, preach far more impressively than by words.

If at times in the exercise of this apostolate we find ourselves confronted by organized dishonesty and lack of principle and are forced to stand alone, if we

do not lower our standard, then we may truly say that we are doing the very thing we were baptized for—we are witnessing for the Christ as truly as the martyr at the stake, or the confessor on the scaffold.

Thus, by the faithful discharge of our obligations we shall secure the “praise of our supernal vocation in Christ,” and fulfil the gospel injunction to be the “salt of the earth” and the “light of the world.”

“PUBLIC LIFE”

Mrs. Dan. J. Riley

Mercy Alumnae, Omaha, Nebraska

Madam Toastmaster:

When our honored President instructed me to discuss “Public Life” in its connection with Catholicity, and straightway threatened dire punishment if the time limit of five minutes was exceeded, I recalled an agonizing moment of my school days. You all have suffered similarly. Do you remember when your history teacher ordered you to tell all you knew about Caesar in five minutes? Brevity may be the soul of wit. It is also the death knell to an aspiring orator.

The purpose of my toast is to convey the potential rather than the immediate effect of Catholic training on Public Life. And yet, immediate effects noted in the past are, perhaps, the best basis for our future policy.

Militant Catholicism has its place in the progress of our Church; but I do not believe that its triumphs are nearly so numerous or so lasting as those achieved through a simple observance of the rules which have been governing, or should govern, the Catholic child from the kindergarten to the university. The Ten Commandments, after all, are a detailed explication of two great laws—Love and Sacrifice. The former covers our duty to God, ourselves and our neighbors; the latter lays the foundation for law-abiding citizenship, self-restraint and temperance.

What the public sees of us is the gauge of our standing in a community. If we are law-abiding, honest, reliable, these virtues will inevitably establish an honorable standing; and responsibilities will be entrusted to us. I might paraphrase the old saying: “Nothing succeeds like success” to read “Nothing wins honors like honesty.”

Selected at random from haphazard reading in my school days, the following comments by noted authors convey some idea of how the Catholic and Catholic customs are observed.

Macauley’s classic utterance, contrasting the indestructibility of St. Peter’s to the crumbling Cathedral of St. Paul in London, has been too often quoted to be interesting; yet it proves that non-Catholics marvelled then, as they do now, at the permanence of our establishments and our Faith.

Mrs. Humphrey Ward, describing the straightlaced little Puritan, Lucy, visiting Rome, gave a graphic description of the maiden’s capitulation to hated Catholic customs, when being favored by an audience with the Pope, Lucy watched the bowed heads as the Pontiff approached, and vowed, with staunch loyalty to her upbringing, that she would not bow her head. She struggled heroically, but, abashed to be so singular in her attitude, as the dignified, benevolent countenance came within her vision, Lucy bowed her head, and, if I remember, was content.

Hillard’s “Six Months in Italy” described the author attending Mass, and looking around with some amusement at the humble congregation wrapt in devotion. He, too, held out against this Romish slavery; but as the bell tinkled the warning for Consecration, Hillard says that against his will, and as if by some supernatural power, his bowed head and bended knees acknowledged a PRESENCE.

Nearer home, and later, we have what our Omaha Archbishop terms a “most thrilling spectacle” in Washington when 103,000 men marched twenty-two abreast a few Sundays ago, testifying to the faith that was in them. The Archbishop tells that a man asked him: “What is it all about?” Doesn’t that mean that many hundred pairs of eyes conveyed the wonder to as many minds, and many hundred pairs of lips put the same query? It is what we are doing, not what we are saying, that counts.

Instances like these demonstrate that we Catholics are continually under inspection. But more than any such spectacle, is the daily conduct of a consistent Catholic in public life calculated to impress his environment on his neighbors. Honesty, not expediency, will regulate his choice of a candidate in all elections. Voting for a man because he is a Catholic is as inconsistent as not voting for him because he is a non-Catholic. Certainty as to a candidate’s honor, his fair-

ness on matters pertaining to schools and religion, his ability to fill an office creditably—these are the only reliable credentials. But make sure of these, be he Catholic or unbeliever.

The babe learns to stand before he attempts to walk. The boy is taught to obey before the man is fitted to enforce the law. Respect for authority should come naturally and simply to the Catholic for the same reason that license and intemperance should be unknown to him. Are we not taught, even as little children, to mortify our flesh, curb our appetites and submit willingly to our superiors?

In this age of extremes when the flapper has usurped the rights and prerogatives of the grandmother, and the grandmother as no recourse from the flapper's indignities, reverence becomes well nigh a minus quantity. This should not be said of a Catholic. There is no excuse for its being true. Our education, beginning when the mind is plastic to impressions, instills daily some lesson of reverence and obedience. What a pity if our youths and maidens ever allow these lessons to be barren of result!

There are three features characterizing Catholic life and practices which must weigh very forcibly in our favor with those outside the fold. The crowded churches on Sundays, when ministers of other denominations are pitifully urging attendance at their services; the universal observance among all classes of Catholics, "on the road," in the office, at home, of the fast days on our calendar; the perseverance with which we support our schools at great cost of money when the public schools are open to all who will attend, and no sacrifice on the part of parents involved—these three features attract the world's attention when we, ourselves, are unconscious of any effect.

And what shall we say of a Catholic woman's opportunities for good when she is engaged in any line of public service?

Wordsworth's Lucy, Shakespeare's Ophelia, Poe's Annabel Lee—these are exquisite types silhouetted against the poetic background of the past. They had their day devoted to the pursuit of beauty and of happiness. But can any charms in the woman of yesterday excel the beauty of service to which many of our girls are devoting their lives to-day? Catholic women refuse to claim "equal rights" with the men; but present day conditions have forced them into office, university and service of many kinds. What a splendid thing to carry with them there, the mettle of their Catholic consciences, and the discriminating judgment, developed by years of sound moral training, which enables them to distinguish between the merely permissible and the commendable.

The idea of the Catholic influence in public life presents to me the picture of the tiny pebble thrown into the stream. The circles multiply ad infinitum, until the shore is reached. Just so, uncounted, almost unlimited, are the opportunities awaiting the consistent Catholic who would exercise the best influence on the world in which he moves.

"INFLUENCE OF LITERATURE"

Mrs. Michael Gavin

Visitation Alumnae, St. Paul, Minnesota

Right Reverend Bishop, Madam Toastmaster, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I think for anyone to get up and talk about literature she ought to be able to produce literature, or any rate be a critic, whose articles may be classed as literature, and I am neither one of those. Also, this five minutes is very difficult, and I have been thinking what I should say in the five minutes.

I think first we should discuss literature, Catholic literature, and then our personal relation to it, and thinking of that made me remember a story that my husband and I like very much. I hope you will find it equally diverting. It is a true story.

We were dining one night with friends. They had a delightful home life, a lovely home in the country, charming children, and my husband was going on in the way I think a great many men do, just talking to hear himself.

He said that statistics had been taken as to what women or girls answered when they received proposals of marriage. Well, you know that is ridiculous. But that is what he contended.

Our host said, "Well, what do you think Polly said to me when I proposed?" and, of course we said we didn't think anybody knew except himself and Polly. He said that he asked Polly whether she would take him (he didn't see why she should), and he had started out and painted a most sad and pathetic picture of his life without her. He said, what was the good of going home at night all

alone? If he was tired nobody cared. If he had had a wonderfully successful day, nobody cared. Then he went on and said what his home would be with her—a haven of peace, his life a paradise.

Well, he rested his case. He didn't see how she could resist that. And what do you think Polly said?

Our host said she looked at him—I wish you could see her sweet little face, with brown curly hair and enormous eyes—and said, "That is all very well for you, but what is there in it for me?"

So, in the four minutes left, I am going to consider first literature, and then what there is in it for us. I have made some notes, and I am going to stick to them, if you don't mind, because if I depart from them, I know it would be to say something not so good.

So, we begin with literature. Literature may be indeed taken to signify all writing, but here we are going to take it in the more restricted and perhaps the more exact sense.

There are writings upon all kinds of subjects and yet we would hardly call treatises on science and philosophy and theology literature, simply because they are writings. Valuable as such works are they scarcely fall within the meaning of literature.

In a word, literature is an art by itself, to be classed with painting, music, sculpture, architecture, etc. It is the expression of life in words, but in words that take on a personal artistic form. It is thought clothed in beautiful language, whether it be in the form of an essay, a poem, or a novel. It is a word-picture of life and it varies in value and merit just as painted pictures do.

When, therefore, we speak of Catholic literature, we naturally do not refer to that great body of Catholic writing as a whole, found in works of a philosophical, theological, or ascetical nature. The world has been enriched by these to an immeasurable degree, and great souls have been made greater by the help of these books. In some instances, indeed, as in the "Following of Christ," "The Confessions of St. Augustine," and some other great personal expressions of life, these works must be placed in the category of literature; for literary expression and artistic form may be employed for any subject that has a bearing upon life.

Now, as literature is the artistic expression of life in words, we may define Catholic literature as the artistic expression of Catholic life in writing, whatever specific form that writing may take.

Such expression is distinctive because it is Catholic. It is literature born of a Catholic mind; the expression of truth as only the Catholic mind could express it; the portrayal of life in a spirit that is imbued with the faith of Christ; the interlocking of the facts of earth with something that is beyond, but just as real as anything directly at hand. Catholic literature, then, embraces, all that is natural, but, at the same time, recognizes the essential reality and need of the supernatural. It is what Father Tabb defines poetry to be:

A gleam of heaven; the passion of a Star
Held captive in the clasp of harmony;
A silence, shell-like, breathing from afar
The rapture of the deep-eternity.

Nor does this mean limitation for the Catholic writer. His workshop is the whole world. He has the hills and the mountains and the seas; he has the trees and the flowers; he has the universe with all its lights and shades. He has, besides, the whole sphere of humanity with its emotions and convictions; thoughts and aspirations; with its love, filial, conjugal, and parental; the innocence and prophecy of the child; the gentleness and tenderness of the woman, the strength and chivalry of the man. All these are his field as they are the field of his confreres of other beliefs.

But the Catholic writer sees all these with the eyes of faith and in the light of the supernatural and eternal. For life, in its truth, stretches beyond earth and time, and its complete expression must embrace its higher as well as its inferior phases.

Now, life influences literature, and in turn literature influences life. It is an inevitable effect of the artistic expression of thought that it should influence action. It is something we have to be grateful for that in the world of modern English literature we have had so many writers that are in the first class and at the same time thoroughly Catholic. Consciously, or unconsciously, minds are being constantly affected by the productions of a Belloc, Chesterton, or an Agnes Repplier in the field of the essay; by a John Ayscough, a Mrs. Wilfrid Ward, a Mrs. Craigie, a Joseph Conrad, in the world of fiction; by a Francis Thompson, a Lionel Johnson, a Katherine Tynan in the realm of poetry. These and countless

others, a cloud of glorious witnesses, who, even though not writing upon religious subjects, have produced and are producing true literature that is imbued with the Catholic spirit.

First, we must become the familiars of those who have contributed so much to the world of Catholic literature. If you are selecting your boy's school suit, you try to get the best and one that will wear; when you are buying food for the table, you are not content with second rate material, and so we should nourish our minds with the best also, and with thoughts that will wear well. Don't be content with anything but the best.

Secondly, we should assist and advance the efforts that are being made for the development and the spread of good Catholic literature in journal, magazine, and book. We in America can justly be proud of our Catholic literature—the equal of any in any land—but can we be proud of the way we support it? Not alone financially, but by a living, vivid interest? No, we cannot. Take our Catholic magazines. It is not a small thing to achieve and maintain so high a level of excellence. From time to time they carry articles that would be literary sensations in England, or on the continent. They make a stir here also, but in a very limited circle. And we are as well educated, as the women of Europe; have as good a mental training, as wide a field of vision. Are we too lazy, or too restless? Whatever is worth having demands some effort, some sacrifice, and we will find that if we make the effort and so support this Catholic apostolate of the press, we ourselves will be the greatest gainers. Catholic thought not only pleases the intellect and satisfies the artistic sense, but adds to the significance of life, explains the very meaning of life, brings steadfastness to the mind, strength to the wavering will, and comfort to the troubled heart. It is, in its best sense, a messenger of the word of God, and those who receive and eagerly entertain the thoughts of those ambassadors of God have often found they were entertaining angels unawares.

"GIRL'S CONTRIBUTION"

Miss Sara E. Laughlin

St. Joseph's Alumnae, Wheeling, West Virginia

Madam Toastmaster:—The theme assigned me is an inspiring one. One should be a poet, a painter, or a prophet to do justice to it. I cannot be a poet or a painter, but you all know that anybody may be a prophet once.

The contribution of the girls in the field of art and music was ably demonstrated on last Sunday. During this conference we got a glimpse of their potentialities in the account which Sister de Paul gave us of their work in the mission crusade.

We all wish a renewal of those hopeful characteristics in the young. Providence keeps alive our youth in fulfilling human destinies. The older generations have always hoped that youth would accomplish those good things which they desired, but found too difficult of attainment.

Up and down the land girls are contributing subjects of conversations for their elders. They are affording these same elders an opportunity to give themselves generous self-admiration, at least by inference. You know the refrain that runs through those conversations—"We didn't do those things in our days." These groups of elders are making dire prophecies. I have no faith in their prophecies, except where they are themselves laying the foundation for the fulfillment of their dire prophecies.

I have less faith in the usefulness of their admonitions. In this connection I am reminded of an incident that occurred one sunny morning when I was going into town, and as all Philadelphians know, the car was blocked. Immediately in front of the trolley were two wagons, the first a lumber wagon, driven by a white man, the second, a high, old fashioned sand cart, driven by a colored man.

Now, I regret to say that the white man directed a volley of profanity at the colored man, to the general effect that each should move on, and if he went in the direction indicated, the colored man would have found himself in a very warm climate.

The colored man turned slowly around, so as not to disturb his many wrappings, and looking at his tormentor with an air of good natured contempt said, "Rest your lips, brother; dat der discourse aint making no impression on me."

As the location of my Alma Mater would indicate, I grew up in a community where political campaigns were taken seriously, where political rallies were attended by every member of the family. Of course, I speak of the pre-moving-picture era, when there were few counter attractions.

I recall that every speaker, regardless of party, laid squarely on the shoulders of the young generation responsibility for bringing about any needed reform. I

didn't feel that that was a just distribution then, and I don't now. I don't think that any group can evade its responsibilities and push them on to the next generation.

Therefore, I say the contribution of the girls, excepting for their lovely, involuntary part, which I have tried to appreciate, is dependent very largely upon the attitude that parents, teachers and members of their own faith take on the fundamental things of life.

In my judgment, we who are assembled here to-night have the power to determine in a very large measure what shall be the contribution of the Catholic girl to the Catholic life of the future. Where, but to our lives, shall they look for a practical demonstration of what Catholic ideals mean in terms of every day living? They are being grounded in these ideals in the same schools that gave them into our keeping, no matter where their contributions are to be made, whether it is in that important work of building the homes of the future, in the cloisters, in business, or in the profession of our attitude toward the golden future.

If we have respect for that calling, they will have respect for that calling, and with that respect will come patience with its burdens and limitations, and added joy in its accomplishments.

In brief, the point I am trying to make is this: if we live up to our ideals, if we appeal to the best in the youthful mind, if we serve their imagination by our needs, as we know we can by a recital of the heroic deeds of those who have preceded us, if we help them to retain their faith in their ability to do nobly, if we expect great things of them, then the Catholic ideals which we have organized to perpetuate are safe in their keeping, and their contribution will live up to our greatest expectations.

"THE SPIRITUAL ELEMENT IN LIFE"

Miss Agnes G. Regan

St. Rose's Alumnae, San Francisco, California

Madam Toastmaster:

There were several stories I had intended using in talking about this spiritual application in life, but one by one they have been taken by one speaker after another.

But, I was reminded of a true story. A mining engineer friend of mine, who was putting a hydraulic mining plant away up in the mountains of Washington, where the place was very inaccessible, found that all the material had to be carried on the backs of mules.

He had a new invoice of picks, and he had to pay for having them pointed. There was a jam of logs in the stream, where they were floating down some timber, and the workmen were pulling the logs loose by standing on them, and throwing a pick forward, and then pulling the log out of place and letting it float down the stream.

One old Irishman, who was never seen without a pipe in his mouth—those clay pipes whose stems keep getting continually shorter and shorter until one worries whether the smoker is going to burn his tongue—had a perfectly new pick which he threw forward into one of the logs. Unfortunately, the pick struck a soft piece of bark and the bark gave way and pulled him over into the water between the logs.

The mining engineer was alarmed. The Irishman might have been killed, but he was not. He struggled to the surface, still with the pipe between his teeth, and as he did so the mining engineer said to him, "Pat, what did you do with my pick?"

And, mentioning the place Miss Laughlin mentioned awhile ago, he said, "— with you and your pick. I was hard set enough to brng up my pipe."

And so if I bring in things that bore you, you will have to blame the long procession that preceded me. I also hope you will pardon this frivolous introduction to a serious discussion.

Somebody said she needed to be a poet, someone else a painter, and I think to paint the subject allotted me would mean to be a philosopher and saint, and being neither, it is rarely difficult to treat it adequaately in a long period, much less than in two or three minutes. But after all it has been a vital subject upon which every one of these speakers has touched.

During the last week we have been gathered together discussing all sorts of problems, educational, philosophical, sociological. We have talked about them, and talked about what has been done in the past and has been planned for the future.

We are not alone in this sort of work. All over this great land of ours, scan

the papers day after day, and you see some type of meeting going on in every city of the United States, groups of people of all classes, religious and irreligious, discussing these same problems, and all with high motives.

Perhaps never before in the history of the world has so much attention been given to the physical and intellectual well being of the race. From the very first instant, even before the instant, when human life begins, to that moment, when with "ashes to ashes" life has carried out its brief span, science is trying to make human life a better thing.

To us, however, comes another question. Is it merely in the physical relations, merely in the betterment of the physical welfare of our boys and girls, is it merely in the intellectual betterment of our boys and girls that we are interested?

What is the meaning of life? That is what we ask when we speak about the spiritual element in life, and the answer has come ringing down to us through all the ages. It became a living reality in the Incarnation, and every morning in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass we pray with the priest that Christ, who became the protector of our humanity, may make us the protector of His divine work, so that faith may be injected into our lives, that Christ may live and work for good in, and through, us.

Here in the midst of this materialistic age to which we refer, when success is measured by the accumulation of wealth, or the acquisition of knowledge, or the gaining of fame, we must stop and ask ourselves: "Do these things influence us, or are we working for that higher ideal, that ideal of living the life of simplicity which Christ loved."

When we talk about these things we hear again that gentle voice that came from the Mount, "Blessed are the poor in spirit." When we meet together in our organization, even in Catholic organizations, we sometimes have serious difficulties. Jealousies creep in. How often someone else succeeds in gaining recognition when one of us fails. How often has that militated against the success of a great movement?

And why has it been unsuccessful? Because again we have forgotten the history of the Christians in the early days when the heathens in Rome said of them, "How these Christians love one another."

Do we always say that of each other? Is that the spirit that so often animates our actions? Is it a living breathing thing, so that we can indeed listen and hear again, "Blessed are the peacemakers?"

Again, we hear on all sides the desire for sensual pleasure, the growing interest of our young people, which a few years ago we scorned to think about, or to look at or to talk of, and again there comes to us that message, "Blessed are the clean of heart."

Do we really hear that message? Do we really love it? If we did, would we need a campaign for modesty in dress? To me it seems a tragic thought that we must send out pledge cards to ask Catholic women to dress modestly. We cannot legislate morality into the people to-day if they have forgotten the ten commandments. Much less can we give back modesty to the girl who has forgotten she is a child of Mary.

Do you mean to tell me that the effects of the Volstead Act are greater than the effect of these ten laws that were handed down to our ancestors and promulgated by our Christian ancestors through the ages, so that to-day we may fly in the face of law enforcement, our desire to express our own will? If this be any apology or excuse for the things we hear from every side are being indulged in, I am sorry for our Catholic men and women.

Not long since a man told me coming down on the train, talking about conditions among our young people, this story, as happening to him. A son of his had been arrested for stealing, and he had been fined a certain sum, which was paid, and he was arrested again in a couple of weeks and again fined, and the Judge who knew his father said, "Can't you do something with this boy? If he is brought up before me again, I will have to inflict a heavy penalty."

So, he called his son up into the library and said, "Son, what is all this about?"

And to his horror, his 18-year-old boy said, "Father, it is none of your business."

"What do you mean?" asked the father.

"I was arrested. I broke the law and paid my fine. I was arrested again for breaking the law, and paid my fine. I will do it again."

"What about my reputation in this community? Don't you think I want to be known as a father who has brought up a law-abiding son?"

"Father, I don't see that you have any right to talk to me in that way. I haven't got a bootlegger."

Now, you can see the point, whether you are prohibitionists or not. The moral is there.

That illustrates just one point. Are we living according to those things that are fundamental in us? Are we expressing in our every day life that desire to be in reality and in truth under Christ, coming into this world to live as He lived, as He went about through the wayside, or sat on the hillside or the shores of the lake.

These are the things that mean something in the world to-day. This is the message we have to bring. Imagine fifty thousand Catholic women living loyally as children of Mary. When you look up at that beautiful picture, you are reminded of those wonderful words in the hymn:

"Hail, Refulgent halo of light,
Holy Ghost sublime;
Heaven's high king."

They linger in one's mind and as you look up at the picture suggest that, through the Immaculate Mother of God, Christ did come into the world, and through her we may go back to Him, and having come back to Him and brought Him into our house, each one of us may go out into the world and like another great crusader bring back the world to Christ.

This is the meaning of the spiritual element in life. We cannot shirk our responsibilities. We have tremendous responsibilities. It is serious. It does not, however, alter the joys of life. We can go about with just as much gaiety and get just as much fun, but in every act of life, in the home, in the school, we must still remember that we too are gates through which Christ may enter into the world. Let us be careful never to close those gates to any human being.

"THE LARGER GOOD"

Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, A. B.
St. Clara's College, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin

Madam Chairman and fellow Convent School Girls: It is an old fashioned fact that the postscript of a women's letter is usually its most important part. I have realized with a good deal of discomfiture as I sat here, that I am somewhat in the position of the postscript to this brilliant symposium of Catholic life that has just been presented to us. But unfortunately, unlike most postscripts, the best in this instance has not been left to the last. Only in one point will this postscript be true to form, it will have the charm of brevity.

Bit by bit, like the colored fragments of the mosaic, the speakers who have preceded me have presented to you the lovely pattern of Catholic life. Now the picture is completed and it is only for the last speaker to draw a few inferences from it.

It is in the home, as Mrs. Sheeran first pictured it, that is first sown the seed of the Larger Good. The little children, almost before they learn the meaning of the words, recite from their catechisms, the Catholic Church has four attributes: It is one, it is holy, it is Catholic, and it is apostolic.

Through the development of each year, and in the widening of their vision of life, they learn the significance and magnitude of that comprehensive word "Catholic," which is universal. They learn that the Catholic Church in her universality stands opposed to localism. That she, wise mother of the world, embraces in her all-encircling arms, all countries, nations and races. She knows no regional, or color lines, no social or political bias. Her problem is the larger problem, as her purpose is the larger good. With Rome as her pivotal center, she has spread herself through the regional subdivisions under Cardinals, Archbishops, Bishops and Priests, through the parishes and the localities to the individual.

When ten years ago, the two Co-Founders of this International Federation of Catholic Alumnae conceived the idea of federating the alumnae of the world, they lifted their eyes above the local interests of any individual alumnae association and saw with clear vision the possibility of a larger good. And in the response to their clarion call to federate for service, the sisters and the alumnae of this country and Canada, answered with a fine enthusiasm. It was the beginning of a self-less enterprise, of a mighty movement, the power and possibilities of which even we at this time, can hardly foresee. Like Holy Mother Church we have patterned our structure through provinces, states and localities, through circles, chapters and associations to the individual. And our program of constructive helpfulness in education, social service and literature offers us opportunities, as Archbishop Curley said so radiantly on Sunday, to realize our tremendous potentialities for good. Surely there was no one present in this Cathedral

of Philadelphia on Sunday morning, who heard Archbishop Curley's earnest appreciation of the noble Catholic women, of her position in society, of the need of her culture, her modesty, her spirituality, her loyalty and her constructive co-operation, who came away from that holy place without the inspiration of the larger good upon her.

And as our Federation stands as a body for a larger good, so does its President, represent in her life the aims and efforts of every individual member. She stands for each one of us as the fine flower of cultured Catholic womanhood. Hers is the sacrifice, the nobility of purpose, the love of God which fires with fine zeal all of her activities for Federation. Would this program be complete this evening without the mention of her name, or the fact referred to that she, in her spirit of unselfish service, demonstrates for each one of us Catholic members of the Federation, the spirit of the larger good?

In the burdens of her high office, and they have been at times heavy burdens, she has given to us unfailingly the lesson of courteous forbearance, she has shown to us the charity and the loyalty of which her Archbishop spoke to us on Sunday. In the number of hours spent in untiring service at her desk; in her convent visitations in the countries of Europe during the summer, at the feet of the Sovereign Pontiff asking his blessing upon the great organization, always the thought of the Federation is with her.

Under such leadership as this, we women of this Federation cannot fail to fulfill the destiny of our high potentialities. Lifting our eyes from the common-places of our daily lives we know the vision of Rome, and following in the footsteps of our leaders, we will march steadily forward to do the work of the whole wide world—which is the larger good.

"THE PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER"

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, President International Federation of Catholic Alumnae

Visitation Alumnae, Baltimore, Maryland

Madam Toastmaster:

Pennsylvania needs no introduction. She has spoken by deeds rather than words. Her eloquence is not of to-day only nor at this Convention week alone. For two years Pennsylvania has been working with one big idea in view. You know the results. We all looked forward to a splendid Convention, but none of us looked far enough to anticipate what Pennsylvania had in store.

When Philadelphia bade us welcome, we realized that the invitation was no mere formality. Behind it were days of earnest thought, study of detail, planning, foreseeing, doing, and all with an unswerving purpose to make this Convention a success.

Once His Eminence, the Cardinal, had given his approval, that success was assured. The fact that he has taken a personal interest in our proceedings, has given us so much of his valuable time, and has appeared more than once on our program, is an outstanding feature of our Convention. It is a source of encouragement to all of us. It makes us feel that we have not striven in vain, and that with his blessing we enter upon a new era of fruitful endeavor. We thank him now and we pledge ourselves to the fulfillment of the fine ideals he has set before us.

We had heard of the hospitality of Philadelphia. We knew that its Mayor was qualified to speak and to act as the first citizen of a great city. And now, through personal experience of the most delightful kind, we realize that we had much to learn. We have learned it, and we take away the lesson with grateful appreciation.

Some day, the Constitution and By-laws permitting, we shall establish a prize for the Chapter that scores highest in its treatment of visiting members. When that time comes, Pennsylvania will be at the head of the list. Let me amend that statement. Pennsylvania is there already.

In your hearts, you have made the award. I take pleasure in passing it with your thankful appreciation and mine, to our host, Pennsylvania.

According to all dictionaries and constitutions, in particular according to our own constitution, revised or original, the function of a Governor is to govern, but government of the perfect sort aims at the good of those who are governed. The Governor of Pennsylvania has exceeded the ordinary limit of her powers. She has devoted her efforts to the good of all our States and Chapters.

Pennsylvania has a right to be proud of her, and we as an International Federation rejoice in paying Miss Close the tribute that is due to her loyalty, energy and tireless industry.

In your behalf and with your authorization, I cast a final decisive vote for PENNSYLVANIA.

RESPONSE

Miss T. Florence Close, Governor, Pennsylvania Chapter
Alumnae of the Sisters of Mercy, Philadelphia

Madam President:

Courtesy demands that I reply to your lovely appreciation, but may I add that the hundreds of local members who have made this Chapter possible, and who labored with me, must also share in this appreciation. If the Philadelphia Convention has enlightened one mind to a realization of the meaning of Catholic Education, has broken down one wall of prejudice, has inspired one member of the Federation to fulfil her duty to Alma Mater and to the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, we feel that our Convention has been worth while. In all humility and all sincerity, and with the greatest love, I place this Convention at the feet of her who carried it forward unto this day, "Our Lady of the Federation."

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1924

MORNING SESSION

BUSINESS MEETING

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, President, presiding

Prayer—Sister M. Aloysius, Seton Hill College, Pa.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Edward H. Burke, Chairman

The Nominating Committee submits the following report:

For President—Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, Visitation Alumnae, Baltimore, Md.

For Vice-President—Miss Marion McCandless, Alumnae of the Holy Cross, Notre Dame, Indiana.

For Recording Secretary—Mrs. Robert Devine, Alumnae of Grey Nuns of the Cross, Ontario, Canada; Mrs. Eugene Fusz, Alumnae of the Religious of the Sacred Heart, St. Louis, Mo.

For Treasurer—Mrs. E. M. Holmes, Alumnae of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, Virginia; Mrs. J. M. O'Leary, Alumnae of the Sisters of Mercy, Illinois.

For Trustees—Mrs. Victor Zimmerman, Alumnae of the Religious of the Sacred Heart, New York; Mrs. A. R. Meyers, Alumnae of the Sisters of Charity, Kentucky; Mrs. J. J. Morrissey, Alumnae of Mother Seton, Sisters of Charity, Colorado; Mrs. W. M. Jeffers, Alumnae of the Sisters of the Holy Cross, Utah; Miss Mary Unnewehr, Alumnae of the Sisters of Mercy, Ohio; Miss Margaret Hogan, Alumnae of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Georgia; Mrs. James Phelan, Alumnae of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, Massachusetts.

Members of Nominating Committee: Alabama, Mrs. Lucille Harper; Colorado, Miss Nan G. Moynahan; Connecticut, Mrs. Joseph A. Merrigan; Delaware, Miss Eleanor C. Donahue; District of Columbia, Miss Rosa Schulteis; Georgia, Mrs. Henry B. Heller; Illinois, Miss Regina Weisenhorn; Indiana, Miss Bertha H. Cadwell; Iowa, Miss Mary Klinkeer; Kentucky, Mrs. Agnes M. Heile; Louisiana, Miss Therese Gonsoulin; Maryland, Mrs. Edward H. Burke; Massachusetts, Mrs. John F. Saunders; Minnesota, Miss Regina A. Vincent; Mississippi, Mrs. Louis Kaiser; Missouri, Mrs. Joseph C. Darst; Nebraska, Miss Veronica M. O'Connor; New Hampshire, Mrs. H. E. Ross; New Jersey, Miss Mary A. Delaney; New York, Mrs. George H. Bradford; Ohio, Mrs. Denver Williams; Pennsylvania, Mrs. Thomas F. Coyle; Rhode Island, Mrs. Robert F. Jones; Tennessee, Miss Mayme Stritch; Texas, Miss Eleanor M. McDonough; Vermont, Mrs. David B. Twigg; Virginia, Julia C. Catogini; West Virginia, Miss Esther M. Heil; Wisconsin, Miss Helen Maline; Nova Scotia, Dr. Margaret MacDonald; Ontario, Mme. Beatrice L. Mongenais.

NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

For Vice-President—Miss T. Florence Close, Alumnae of the Sisters of Mercy, Philadelphia, Pa.

For Recording Secretary—Mrs. Dan J. Reilly, Alumnae of the Sisters of Mercy, Omaha, Nebraska.

For Treasurer—Miss Catherine Hogan, Mt. St. Mary's Alumnae, Burlington, Vermont.

For Trustees—Mrs. Dan J. Reilly, Alumnae of the Sisters of Mercy, Omaha, Nebraska; Miss Margaret O'Connell, Sacred Heart Alumnae, Texas; Mrs. Thomas A. McGoldrick, St. Clare's College Alumnae, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin, declined; Mrs. Edmund P. Kelly, Loretto Alumnae, Ontario, Canada.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, President, presiding

Prayer—Mother Mary Agnes, Grey Nuns of the Cross, Melrose Academy, Pa.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Charles S. Woodruff, Chairman

RESOLVED: That the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae express:

To our Holy Father Pope Pius XI., our filial homage and our heartfelt gratitude for the interest shown by His Holiness in our Federation; for the kindly reception by the Sovereign Pontiff to our President; and for the words of encouragement with which Christ's Vicar crowned our Convention. We pledge anew our loyalty and our desire to co-operate in the welfare of the Church and the betterment of mankind.

To His Excellency, the Most Reverend Archbishop Fumasoni-Biondi, Apostolic Delegate, who so worthily represents the Holy Father in the United States, and to His Excellency, the Most Reverend Pietro de Maria, Apostolic Delegate to Canada, sincere appreciation for their continued interest in the organization and for their cordial assistance to its officers.

To His Eminence, D. Cardinal Dougherty, Archbishop of Philadelphia, heartfelt gratitude for the cordial reception accorded to its members. It also deeply appreciates the new light thrown by His Eminence on an already glorious page of our country's history.

To the Honorable W. Freeland Kendrick, Mayor of Philadelphia, deep appreciation for a very gracious and cordial welcome. The Catholic Alumnae will carry back to their cities, in the various States and Provinces happiest memories of the City of Brotherly Love.

To the Most Reverend Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore, profound appreciation for his sermon in the Cathedral on Sunday, October 19, 1924, when unparalleled heights and depths were reached by His Grace in urging the development of the Catholic spirit in the Federated Alumnae.

To the Right Reverend Thomas J. Shahan, Honorary President of the I. F. C. A., for his presence at its Sixth Biennial Convention, for his gracious presentation to His Eminence, Cardinal Dougherty, of the officers, delegates and Alumnae members of the federated Alumnae.

To the Right Reverend Monsignor Edward A. Pace of the Catholic University, who has been since the early days of the I. F. C. A. not only a Director and an inspirer, but a devoted friend, unflinching in his interest and untiring in his efforts for the Federation, a truly Catholic appreciation by offering to Monsignor Pace a spiritual bouquet of Holy Communion.

To the Hierarchy, of whom we are so justly proud; to the Clergy, upon whom we lean in our daily efforts at progress; to the dearly beloved Sisters, who are always our inspiration, the I. F. C. A. is most deeply grateful for their help and presence at our Sixth Biennial Convention.

To our President, Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, unqualified support and loyal devotion in appreciation of her remarkable service to the Federation, and in recognition of her spirituality, loyalty to cause, and devotion to duty.

To the Governor, Miss Close, all Chairmen, Committees, and Bureaus of the Pennsylvania Chapter, the Sisters and Alumnae of the Convents in Philadelphia who opened their hearts and homes to the visiting daughters of other Alumnae, gratitude commensurate to the thought and labor of which this successful Convention is the fruit.

To the Sisters and Alumnae of the affiliated schools of Pittsburgh, Lancaster, McSherrystown, and Philadelphia, for their delightful hospitality at the four luncheons, special gratitude, not only on the entertainment, which will leave with us many happy memories, but for singularly helpful arrangements which simplified Convention punctuality.

To the students of the Philadelphia schools who have acted as pages, we wish to extend our grateful appreciation for their constant consideration and unflinching courtesy.

To the retiring officers of the Executive Board, we turn with love and hope that either here or in other fields of endeavor we may again be the beneficiaries of their talents and unselfishness.

To the Press, we express our hearty and discriminating appreciation for the courteous consideration accorded the Federation by giving to the public prompt and extended reports of the business of the Convention, thus contributing very largely to its success.

WHEREAS, the beautiful banner of Our Lady of the Federation displayed at the opening of the Convention surprised and delighted us, and,

WHEREAS, this banner is the work of Sister St. Luke, Sister of St. Joseph, Mt. St. Joseph's College, Chestnut Hill, and presented by the Alumnae of Mt. St. Joseph's College to the Pennsylvania Chapter for the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, to be used at all future Conventions.

RESOLVED, That we hereby express to Sister St. Luke and the Alumnae Association of Mt. St. Joseph's College and the Pennsylvania Chapter our deep appreciation and gratitude for this gift.

WHEREAS, Sister Mary Donatus of the Sisters, the Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Villa Maria College, Immaculata, Pennsylvania, composed the lyrics and directed the tableaux of the imposing pageant, "Our Lady of the Federation," produced at the Opera House for the members and guests of the I. F. C. A. on Sunday, October 19, 1924.

RESOLVED, That the members of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae in Convention assembled express to Sister Mary Donatus and the Sisters, the Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Villa Maria College, their most sincere appreciation of this contribution to the Convention program, and assurance that the pageant will remain long in the memories of those who were privileged to witness it.

WHEREAS, Our Holy Father, Pius XI. has bestowed on this country the privilege of holding the Eucharistic Congress in Chicago, 1926, and

WHEREAS, The International Federation of Catholic Alumnae has adopted Saturday following the First Friday as a day of General Holy Communion in honor of our Patroness, Mary Immaculate,

RESOLVED, That the members of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae include in their Alumnae Saturday Holy Communion each month, a remembrance for the success of the Eucharistic Congress.

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland is preparing to celebrate in 1934 the three hundredth anniversary of its founding, and

WHEREAS, This tercentennial anniversary will also be the tencentennial of the Catholic Church in the United States of America,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae in convention assembled, pledge ourselves individually and collectively to co-operate in every way possible with plans made by the Hierarchy for this momentous event.

WHEREAS, His Grace, Archbishop Curley, of Baltimore, stressed the point that the Federation should develop its spiritual side together with its educational work, and

WHEREAS, At this moment when the Catholics of the world are praying for the canonization of Mother Seton of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, in appreciation of the work she has done and the daughters she has sent forth to teach, to labor, and to serve in the ranks of that great religious community, and those other daughters who, of the world, have yet followed in her footsteps and have been the inspiration of this glorious Federation which is now ours,

RESOLVED, That the Federation offer daily prayers for the canonization of Mother Seton.

WHEREAS, There is energetic agitation of mission needs in the various convent schools affiliated with the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, and the students therein have organized and engaged in what is known as the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade, and

WHEREAS, These young women already trained to some extent in the exercise of Apostolic zeal, and imbued with enthusiasm for the work, are yearly joining our ranks as members of the I. F. C. A., and

WHEREAS, The Federation has, in the example of a co-founder, Sister Mary de Paul Cogan, a model of spirituality, sacrifice, and service in the work of Foreign Missions.

RESOLVED, That the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae be committed to a program of Mission activities and establish a Bureau in the Social Service Department to be known as the De Paul Bureau of Mission Activities.

WHEREAS, Parents, by the Creator's will, have both the responsibility for the education of their children and the corresponding right to determine by whom that education shall be given, and

WHEREAS, Schools, colleges, and universities founded by private citizens or bodies of citizens and supported by private endowment or voluntary contribution, have existed from the earliest days of civilization in the United States, and

WHEREAS, Many of these have been chartered by public authority and empowered to teach various branches of knowledge, and

WHEREAS, These institutions have rendered invaluable service in the fields of education and of scientific research,

RESOLVED, That we uphold the right of such private educational institutions to exist and to continue their work, and that we take all necessary steps to

protect them in the exercise of that right with the full freedom they have hitherto enjoyed.

WHEREAS, Since our last Convention it has pleased Almighty God to call unto Himself many members of this Federation and some of our members have suffered the loss of their dear ones,

RESOLVED, That we offer our heartfelt sympathy to those who are thus bereaved, and that we implore the Father of Mercy to give them comfort and strength.

WHEREAS, In order to make practical the object of the Federation in substantially supporting the cause of Catholic Education,

RESOLVED, That the delegates in Convention assembled approve the President's plan for securing through Chapter organizations a quota based on a per capita tax of one dollar annually for every individual member of the Chapter for the creation of an Educational Fund for the Teaching Sisterhoods to be apportioned on a percentage basis toward a permanent fund for the operation of Federation activities.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

Miss Frances Lichtner, Chairman

The Committee on Elections begs to report the following:
Total number of ballots cast, 235:

For President—	
Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger.....	230
For Vice-President—	
Miss T. Florence Close	212
Mrs. Mary B. Finan	3
Miss Marion McCandless	3
Mrs. Dan J. Riley.....	5
Miss Mary E. Brennan	2
Illegal	1
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	226
For Recording Secretary—	
Mrs. Robert Devine	148
Mrs. Eugene Fusz	42
Mrs. Dan J. Riley	43
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For Treasurer—	
Mrs. E. M. Holmes	117
Miss Hogan	108
Mrs. J. M. O'Leary	6
Miss M. Grace Miller	1
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	232
For Trustees—	
Mrs. V. L. Zimmerman	141
Mrs. A. R. Meyers	154
Mrs. John J. Morrissey	122
Mrs. W. M. Jeffers	72
Miss Mary Unnewehr	80
Miss Hogan	52
Mrs. J. J. Phelan	91
Mrs. Edmund Kelly	28
Miss Margaret O'Connell	161
Mrs. Dan Riley	3
Mrs. McKenna	2
Mrs. Riley	1
Illegal	2

The following officers were declared elected to the Executive Board of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae, 1924-1926:

President, Mrs. Harry M. Benzinger, Visitation Alumnae, Baltimore, Md.

Vice-President, Miss T. Florence Close, Mercy Alumnae, Philadelphia, Pa.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. Robert Devine, Alumnae of the Grey Nuns of the Cross, Ottawa, Canada.

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS AFTER RE-ELECTION

October 23, 1924

There may, perhaps, be some who could express what I feel to-day—I cannot. Other honors may have broader scope and wider possibilities. None could be more cherished by a daughter of the Visitation, who loves the Federation. When that honor comes a second time, it cannot but carry with it, not a wish, not a hope, but the will to dedicate one's self humbly, gratefully, determinately, reverently to the service of those whose trust and confidence gave it.

In this spirit I take up for another term the duties I have tried to fulfill during the past two years. In the last decade our Federation has developed on sound and constructive lines, and we have seen a steady and enduring advancement in our ideals which gives us every right to be proud.

We have progressed as perhaps no other organization has, because at every stage ours has been the progress which only follows after a sane balancing of the needs and consequences of the forward step.

I thank you for your confidence in me and for the assistance which you have given me in the performance of my duty and I ask for your continued co-operation and loyal support.

GREETINGS

Messages were received during the Convention from:

His Grace, Most Reverend John Joseph Glennon, Archbishop of St. Louis, Missouri.

His Grace, Most Reverend Jeremiah J. Harty, Archbishop of Omaha, Nebraska.

His Grace, Most Reverend Alfred O. Sinnott, Archbishop of Winnipeg, Ont.

His Grace, Most Reverend Archbishop of Edmonston.

His Grace, Most Reverend John W. Shaw, Archbishop of New Orleans, Louisiana.

His Grace, Most Reverend Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore, Md.

His Grace, Most Reverend Henry Moeller, Archbishop of Cincinnati, Ohio.

His Lordship, the Bishop of Prince Albert and Saskatoon.

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Right Reverend Bernard J. Mahoney, Bishop of Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

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Right Reverend Bishop Kelly, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Right Reverend Bishop of Alexandria, Ontario, Canada.

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Right Reverend Phillip R. McDevitt, Bishop of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

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 Sister Margaret, St. Agnes Academy, Memphis, Tennessee.
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